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Arab League's Deep divisions

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CAIRO (AP) — Gulf countries seeking to suspend Syria's membership to the Arab League over its bloody crackdown on protesters failed to gain enough support Sunday to push the measure through,



A protester holds a banner with English and Arabic writing that reads; "Not to kill the Syrians" during an anti-Syrian regime protest in front of the Arab league headquarters in Cairo, Egypt Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011.

(AP Photo/Khalil Hamra)

reflecting deep divisions among the body's 22 nations.

Arab foreign ministers met at the group's Cairo headquarters behind closed doors for an initial 3-hour session without Syria's representative, then took a break and reconvened for talks with Syrian diplomats that lasted late into the night.

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Change Can Come



President Barack Obama views the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial with his family and members of the King family on the National Mall in Washington, Oct. 16, 2011. Front row from left: First lady Michelle Obama, Harry Johnson, president of the memorial project, Sasha Obama, President Obama and Malia Obama.
(Doug Mills/The New York Times)

At dedication of King Memorial, Obama says, 'don't give up'

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WASHINGTON — Promising that "change can come if you don't give up," President Barack Obama, the man who is perhaps the biggest beneficiary of the civil rights movement, on Sunday called on Americans to use the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to help push for progress in today's economically tough times.

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Left: Aruba's Prime Minister Mike Eman looks on as President Obama makes a speech commemorating the official opening of the Martin Luther King Memorial in Washington D.C.



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At dedication of King Memorial, Pres. Obama says, 'don't give up'

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Speaking at the dedication of the monument to King on the National Mall, Obama, at times adopting the cadence of King, said Americans must celebrate all that the civil rights movement accomplished even as they understand that the work is not done. Standing under the new monument, the first on the mall to honor an African-American, Obama struck tones that veered from the church pulpit to the floors of the nearby Capitol.

"I know there are better days ahead," Obama said, his voice rising. "I know this because of the man towering above me."

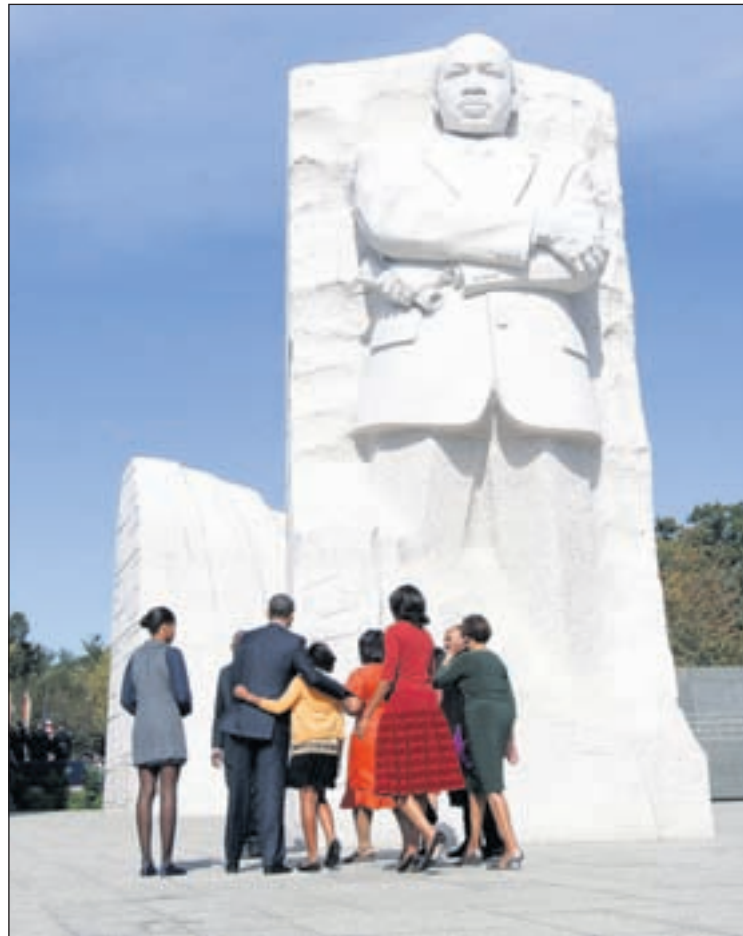
At times, the words Obama used to describe King's struggles might also apply to himself.

"For every victory, there were setbacks," Obama said. "Even after winning the Nobel Peace Prize, Dr. King was vilified by many." He continued, "He was even attacked by his own people, by those who felt he was going too fast and by those who felt he was going too slow."

Obama's speech culminated a morning – beautifully sunny and bright on the Washington Mall – during which a lion's gallery of civil rights and black leaders stood on the podium to hail that a preacher of no rank had joined Abraham Lincoln, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Franklin D. Roosevelt to be memorialized into perpe-

tuity in the National Mall area. Thousands of people crowded the mall for the festivities, which were re-

scheduled to be dedicated in August to coincide with the 48th anniversary of the March on Washing-



President Barack Obama, first lady Michelle Obama and their daughters Malia and Sasha view the monument at the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial dedication on the National Mall in Washington, Oct. 16, 2011. Obama called on Americans to use the memory of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to help push for progress in today's economically tough times.

(Doug Mills/The New York Times)

scheduled after Hurricane Irene canceled the initial plans.

The memorial – a 4-acre tract along the Tidal Basin that is dotted with elm and cherry trees and anchored by an imposing granite statue of King – is the result of more than two decades of work. It was originally

ton and King's "I Have a Dream" speech, which was delivered at the Lincoln Memorial.

The expansive three-hour ceremony included speeches by civil rights leaders like Rep. John Lewis and the Rev. Jesse Jackson and songs by performers like Aretha Franklin. □



Raeda Mushtaha with photos of her husband, Rawhi, who has been in an Israeli prison since 1988, at her home in Gaza City, Gaza. Rawhi is on a list of names of the first 477 Palestinian prisoners that Israel will exchange for a soldier held by the militant faction Hamas.

(Lynsey Addario/The New York Times)

Israel releases list of 477 to be freed in trade with Hamas

**ETHAN BRONNER
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RAMALLAH, West Bank – Israel on Sunday released the names of the first 477 Palestinian prisoners that it will exchange for a soldier held by the militant faction Hamas, and the list revealed why the country has found the trade so wrenching: The majority of the inmates were convicted of manslaughter, attempted murder or intentionally causing death.

Those being freed include the founders of Hamas' armed wing and militants who kidnapped and killed Israeli soldiers and civilians. A mastermind of the 2001 bombing of a Jerusalem pizzeria that killed 15 will walk out of prison, as will a woman who used the Internet to lure a lovesick Israeli teenager to a Palestinian city and had him murdered. Most of the prisoners were serving life sentences, some for being involved in attacks like the 2001 bomb-

ing of a Tel Aviv nightclub that killed 21 people and a suicide bombing a year later of a Netanyahu hotel in which 29 died. The Israeli soldier in the trade, Staff Sgt. Gilad Schalit, was seized by Hamas militants in a cross-border raid more than five years ago and held in Gaza. The exchange of the first batch of prisoners, which includes 27 women, is set for Tuesday. On Sunday, they were bused to central prisons where their health and identities were to be checked. In two months, 550 more prisoners will be released, but their names have not been published.

A handful of the most important prisoners in Israel's jails will not be freed, including Marwan Barghouti, a major force behind the second intifada; his relative Abdullah Barghouti, a top bomb maker; and Ahmed Saadat, the mastermind behind the murder of Rehavam Zeevi, an Israeli government minister. □

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3 charged after disabled locked up in Philadelphia

RON TODT

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA (AP) —

Three people have been charged following the discovery of four malnourished mentally disabled adults chained to a boiler in a locked northeast Philadelphia basement room that was too small for an adult to stand up straight and also reeked of waste from the buckets they used to relieve themselves, police said Sunday.

Officers were investigating a report of squatters in a building Saturday when they found three men and a woman in a 15-by-15-foot room behind a steel door that was chained shut. The subbasement room they were in called to mind a Cold War-era bomb shelter and contained a makeshift bed, mattress and sheets, said Officer Tanya Little, a police spokeswoman.

"It was horrible," she said Sunday. "The space was very tiny and confined."

Charges of criminal conspiracy, aggravated assault, kidnapping, criminal trespass, unlawful restraint, false imprisonment and related offenses were filed Sunday against Linda Ann Weston, 51, and Thomas Gregory, 47, both of Philadelphia, as well as Eddie



This undated photo provided by the Philadelphia Police Department shows Linda Ann Weston. Weston is one of three people charged following the discovery of four malnourished mentally disabled adults chained to a boiler in a locked northeast Philadelphia basement room that was too small for an adult to stand up straight and also reeked of waste from the buckets they used to relieve themselves, police said Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011.

(AP Photo/Philadelphia Police Department)

Wright, 49, officially listed as homeless but originally from Texas. Listed numbers for the defendants could

not be found Sunday and it was unclear whether they had attorneys.

Federal charges could also

be added, Lt. Raymond Evers told The Philadelphia Inquirer.

"We're going to find every crime possible in the crime code to put on these individuals," Evers said.

Police are investigating the possibility that the suspects were trying to make money through access to the victims' Social Security or disability checks, Little said. It wasn't clear how they know the victims.

The 29-year-old woman and the men, who are 31, 35, and 41, have the mental capacity of 10-year-olds, police said. They were taken to a hospital for treatment and listed in stable condition. Little said the victims, whose names were not released, appeared to have no physical problems other than malnourishment.

Little said that getting information from the victims had been difficult due to their disability, but they apparently had been brought to Philadelphia about 10 days before they were found. They had apparently been in West Palm Beach, Fla., and before that in Texas, she said.

"It's heartbreaking that people can do such horrifying things to other people," she said. □



A photograph of Bishop Robert Finn on the cover of "The Catholic Key" at Saint Patrick Catholic Church in Kansas City. (Steve Hebert/The New York Times)

In Kansas City:

Sermons avoid mention of abuse scandal

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KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The Rev. Justin Hoyer was struggling to figure out what, if anything, to say Sunday to his parishioners at St. Patrick's Catholic Church about the new turmoil facing the local Roman Catholic diocese. Days before, news had broken that Bishop Robert Finn and the diocese had been indicted on criminal charges of failing to report a priest found to have pornographic photos of children, including children of his congregants. The priest is accused of having taken more such photographs in the months before church leaders turned them over to law enforcement. □

A billionaire big on giving, and on a certain candidate

KIRK JOHNSON

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SALT LAKE CITY — Jon M. Huntsman Sr. — billionaire industrialist, father of a presidential hopeful, four-time cancer survivor — has no patience for the Scrooges of the world. Even the philanthropist club of billionaires started by Huntsman's friend Warren E. Buffett that is trying to enlist the world's richest to give away half their wealth seems tightfisted to him.

"I suggested 80 percent," he said. "A tremendous number of wealthy people haven't given much of anything."

While protesters from the Occupy Wall Street movement camp out across America, excoriating what they see as the greed of the affluent, and Democrats push the idea of a surtax on millionaires, a voice of soft-spoken but resolute insistence about the obligation to share can be heard here in the West.

Huntsman, the son of a rural school teacher, built the multinational Huntsman Corp. from scratch starting in the 1970s, a chemical company with most of its operations now overseas. He sympathizes with the

Wall Street protesters. The political system, he agreed, is broken. Ethics have foun-dered.

But he argues that the rich, if they could be induced to greater generosity — and not simply be more stiffly taxed — could go a long way toward fixing things.

And while other billionaires like Buffett and Bill Gates, might be stalking the globe battling huge problems like malaria or AIDS or tainted drinking water, Huntsman, 74, is focused closer to home, trying to build the world's pre-eminent cancer research and treatment center here in Utah's capital.

His life and family experience — his father and mother and stepmother killed by cancer and a personal journey through prostate, oral and two bouts of skin cancer — shape his vision, he said. Since the 1990s, he has focused the bulk of his philanthropy on fighting the disease, with a huge research and treatment complex up and running at the University of Utah here and a major expansion set to open this month. Of the world's 1,200 or so billionaires, Huntsman is one of only 19, according to

the wealth-watch monitors at Forbes Magazine, who have given away more than \$1 billion.

"We'll just keep opening centers until we're the Mayo Clinic of cancer," he said in a rare interview pre-viewing the new wing.

publican primary voters, Huntsman said, are ignoring the best and most qualified candidate, namely his son, Jon M. Huntsman Jr., a former Utah governor.

Romney, who led the 2002 Winter Olympics here, is hugely popular in Repub-

"I've worked for three different Romneys," he said. One time Romney was a liberal, in running for the Senate in 1994 in Massachusetts against Edward M. Kennedy, Huntsman said, the next time he was a moderate in running for



Jon Huntsman Sr., a billionaire industrialist and the father of Republican presidential candidate Jon Huntsman, at the Huntsman Cancer Institute in Salt Lake City, Oct. 10, 2011. Huntsman Sr. wants to help finance a cure for cancer, and for his son to be elected to the White House.

(Djamila Grossman/The New York Times)

Huntsman, a longtime Republican stalwart, had plenty to say, in the wide-ranging interview, about politics and the field of presidential candidates, notably Mitt Romney. Re-

publican-dominated Utah, as is Huntsman Jr. Huntsman Sr. was a national finance co-chairman for the Romney campaign in 2008, but those days, he said, are over.

governor in 2002, and now he is a conservative in seeking the presidency.

"If you need to win that badly," he said, "I guess you just kind of do what you have to do to get a vote." □

Romney beating Obama on Wall Street cash

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It is no secret that the relationship between President Barack Obama and Wall Street has chilled. One striking measure of that is the latest campaign finance reports. Mitt Romney has raised far more money than Obama this year from the firms that have been among Wall Street's top sources of donations for the two candidates.

That gap underscores the growing alienation from Obama among many rank-and-file financial professionals and Romney's aggressive and successful efforts to woo them.

The imbalance exists at large investment banks and hedge funds, private equity firms and commer-



Republican presidential candidate former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney speaks at Microsoft headquarters in Redmond, Wash.

(AP Photo/Elaine Thompson)

cial banks, according to a New York Times analysis of the firms that accounted for the most campaign contributions from the industry to Romney and Obama in 2008, based on data from the Federal Election Commission and the nonparti-

san Center for Responsive Politics. It could widen as Obama, seeking to harness anger over growing income inequality, escalates his criticism of the industry, after a year spent trying to soothe ties bruised by efforts to impose tougher regulations.

Since spring, Romney has raised \$1.5 million from employees of firms like Morgan Stanley; Highbridge Capital Management, a major hedge fund; and Blackstone, a leading private equity firm. Obama has taken in just more than \$270,000

from firms that were among his leading sources of campaign cash in 2008.

Employees of Goldman Sachs who in the 2008 campaign gave Obama more than \$1 million — more than donors from any other private employer in the country — have given him about \$45,000 this year. Romney has raised about \$350,000 from the firm's employees. Those figures do not account for all Wall Street giving, nor for the full force of each candidate's robust network of Wall Street "bundlers," wealthy individuals who raise money from friends, family members and business associates.

And Obama continues to dominate Romney — and the rest of the Republican field — in overall fundraising. □

On taxes and fences, Cain stumbles

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Herman Cain found out how tricky being in the national spotlight is on Sunday as he was pushed to admit that his signature economic plan, 9-9-9, would result in increased taxes for some people.

The Republican presidential candidate also sought to back away from fiery comments he had made just hours earlier, saying he was only joking about killing people trying to cross the border from Mexico with an electrified fence. And he said that the American people need to "get a sense of humor."

Beyond that, Cain acknowledged that he was unfamiliar with the neoconservative movement, and was not exactly sure what the word "neoconservative" meant.

All this was in the space of a 20-minute interview with David Gregory on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Cain, a former restaurant executive who has never held public office, is a can-

didate being tested for the first time, particularly now that some polls show him perched at the top rung of the Republican field. And his lack of experience is beginning to show itself in the form of missteps or as he confronts more pointed questions about his tax plan.

After months of being dismissed as a nonstarter in the primary race, Cain is enjoying increased interest in his so-called 9-9-9 tax plan, which would set personal and business income tax rates at 9 percent each and institute a 9 percent national sales tax, eliminating all other federal taxes.

But instead of seizing his moment on the campaign trail, Cain has mostly removed himself from the ritual of retail politics to concentrate instead on the promotion of his new book, "This is Herman Cain! My Journey to the White House." And his campaign continues to operate on a shoestring budget. A finance report filed Saturday to the Federal Election Commission



Herman Cain, a Republican presidential candidate, greets attendees during a Roane County Tea Party rally at the Roane State Community College in Harriman, Tenn. Cain found out how tricky being in the national spotlight is on Sunday as he was pushed to admit that his signature economic plan, 9-9-9, would result in increased taxes for some people.

(Josh Anderson/The New York Times)

showed that he raised \$2.8 million over the summer, a figure that represented only a slight increase over the \$2 million he gathered as a lesser-known candidate in the spring.

"It's very hard to be a first-time candidate who is in the lower tier of attention,

and to suddenly vault into the top tier, and that's what happened," said Steve Duprey, a Republican National Committee member from New Hampshire. "I'm sure Mr. Cain is going to have some growing pains. He has to be careful, because sometimes you can make a mistake that can be a serious impediment." At two campaign rallies in Tennessee on Saturday night, Cain made repeated, detailed comments about his immigration policy, which he said would include building an electrified fence on the country's border with Mexico that could kill people trying to enter the country illegally. But by Sunday morning, his tone had changed. □

Clinton's concert is a huge celebrity affair

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AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Lady Gaga enjoyed her "first real Marilyn moment" with former President Bill Clinton. The envelope-pushing pop superstar was one of several musicians who performed Saturday night at the Hollywood Bowl during a concert celebrating the 10th anniversary of Clinton's foundation, which has sought to improve global health, strengthen economies worldwide, promote healthier childhoods and protect the environment for the past decade.

"I always wanted to have one, and I was hoping that it didn't involve pills and a strand of pearls," she joked. Emerging from atop an all-white treehouse, Lady Gaga sported a wavy blonde 'do and red lips like Marilyn Monroe, who famously crooned "Happy Birthday, Mr. President" to President John F. Kennedy in 1962. Lady Gaga



Former president Bill Clinton speaks at the "A Decade of Difference" concert at the Hollywood Bowl in Los Angeles, Saturday, Oct. 15, 2011. The concert is part of "Decade of Difference" weekend, which celebrates 10 years of the William J. Clinton Foundation.

(AP Photo/Matt Sayles)

similarly serenaded Clinton and changed several of her lyrics to reference him, including swapping the title of "Bad Romance" for "Bill Romance."

"I thought, 'My God. I get Lady Gaga, and I will have a heart attack celebrating my 65th birthday,'" Clinton later said.

Clinton, who turned 65 on Aug. 19 but celebrated his

birthday at a posh Hollywood party Friday night, sat between wife Hillary and daughter Chelsea in the front row throughout Saturday's event at the outdoor venue set against the Hollywood Hills. Other famous attendees included Maria Bello, Ashton Kutcher, Jason Segel, Ellen DeGeneres, Colin Farrell and Chevy Chase. □

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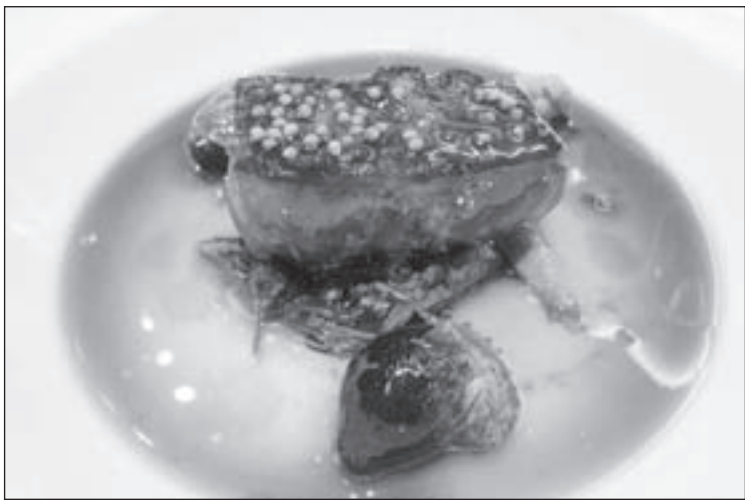
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In California, going all out to bid adieu to foie gras



In eight months, the sale of foie gras will be banned in California.

ADAM NAGOURNEY

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LOS ANGELES – Behind the glass doors of a storefront, an act of culinary defiance was taking place.

In eight months, the sale of foie gras will be banned in California. But for seven hours on Friday night, at a restaurant known as Animal, three chefs presented an eight-course meal that was a glorification of this soon-to-be outlawed delicacy.

cacy.

With all its gluttonous excess, and with the backdrop of the animal rights protesters, the sold-out dinner became the fattiest of food as political protest, offering a clash of competing passions in a battle that settled here, the first state in the nation to criminalize the sale of foie gras, the fattened liver of a goose or duck.

It was also a perhaps belated realization by these chefs and their fans that a law signed eight years ago is truly taking effect.

"I want people to have the freedom to eat what they want," said Ludo Lefebvre, one of the chefs cooking here on Friday.

"Animal rights people would turn everyone into a vegan if they could. Today it's foie gras. Tomorrow it's going to be chicken, or beef."

But the law was approved overwhelmingly, and support for it appears as strong as ever. "This is a rather embarrassing temper tantrum on the part of these chefs; the bill will take effect whether they like it or not," said Lindsay Rajt, an associate director with the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals.

Foie gras has inspired a passionate argument, with both sides producing experts and videotapes arguing over the cruelty of how the birds are fed.□

Rift over demands continues in fresh Wall Street protests

MEREDITH HOFFMAN

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NEW YORK – The influence and staying power of Occupy Wall Street are undeniable: Similar movements have sprouted around the world, as the original group enters its fifth week in the financial district. Yet a frequent criticism of the protesters has been the absence of specific policy demands.

That is why demonstrators formed the Demands Working Group about a week and a half ago, hoping to identify specific actions they would formally ask local and federal governments to adopt. But the very nature of Occupy Wall Street has made that task difficult, in New York and elsewhere.

Although Occupy Seattle has a running tally of votes

on its website – 395 votes to "nationalize the Federal Reserve," 138 for "universal education" and 245 to "end corporate personhood," for example – Mike Hines, a member of the group, said the list would soon be removed because the provisions had not been clearly explained and because some people were not capable of voting online.□



Firefighters from Ohio protest the proposed Senate Bill 5, in a battle over public employees' bargaining rights.

In Ohio, a battle over public employees' bargaining rights

STEVEN GREENHOUSE

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COLUMBUS, Ohio – "Hi, Teresa," said Phil Hayes, a high school social studies teacher. "I'm voting no on Senate Bill 5 because it can make my class size larger and can make it harder for me to be a teacher."

That was how Hayes plunged into yet another call as he and a dozen other union members at a labor phone bank made hundreds of calls to urge Ohioans to repeal one of Gov. John R. Kasich's signal achievements: Senate Bill 5, a law that weakens public employees' bargaining rights. The push to repeal the law, enacted by the Republican-led legislature in March, will be one of the biggest battles in the country this Election Day, with the law's supporters and opponents expected to spend in total more than \$20 million in the fight.

Supporters say the law is vital to curb labor's power and to hold down state and local compensation costs during an era of increasing budget deficits. But opponents – who collected 1.3 million signatures to place the repeal vote on the Nov. 8 ballot – say the law unfairly scapegoats public employees and weakens unions, a powerful ally of the Democrats. Ohio's law allows only limited bargaining: If management and union do not reach a settlement, then city councils and school boards can impose their side's final contract offer unilaterally. The Ohio law bans binding arbitration and bargaining on health coverage, pensions or staffing levels. It also requires government workers to pay at least 15 percent of their health insurance costs and pay 10 percent of their salaries toward their pensions.

The Ohio Senate president, Thomas E. Niehaus, who is campaigning against repeal, said, "These are reasonable reforms asking our public sector employees to do what private sector employees have been doing for decades: paying more for their health care and their pension benefits."□

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Stroll of the bulls: Arizona keeps bull run tame

MARC LACEY

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CAVE CREEK, Ariz. — The Arizona bulls were tamer than their Spanish counterparts, but the faces of those who took part in a domestic version of the running of the bulls this weekend looked as alarmed as if they were dashing through the streets of Pamplona.

When the starting gun went off Friday night, participants took off as if their lives de-

who could easily stumble and trip everybody up. He advised those who did fall to stay down and allow the bulls to move past them. The most fundamental piece of advice, though, he did not need to utter: Run! "There's a lot of adrenaline," said Mike Holzberg, a retiree from Scottsdale, Ariz., who was one of about 100 people to dash ahead of the bulls Friday night.

800 to 1,500 pounds.

"What's going to happen is someone is going to fall, and then others will fall, and the bulls will run right over them," Patrick O'Donnell, one of the organizers, predicted as the event got under way Friday and a series of bull runs had not yet begun Saturday afternoon. "That's what you sign up for: the unexpected."

O'Donnell experienced just that years ago while he was riding a bull and a horn tore through his left cheek. The scar, an indentation that resembles a dimple, is still visible. □



Participants during a domestic running of the bulls event in Cave Creek, Ariz., Oct. 14, 2011. The event on Friday, a domestic version of the running of the bulls in Pamplona, which included bulls that weighed nearly 800 to 1,500 pounds, continued with a series of bull runs on Saturday afternoon.

(Joshua Lott/The New York Times)



Participants during a domestic running of the bulls event in Cave Creek, Ariz., Oct. 14, 2011.

(Joshua Lott/The New York Times)

ended on it. Anxious runners moved so quickly, though, that some of them neared the end of the quarter-mile dirt track set up on a private ranch in this community outside of Phoenix before the bulls even began ambling after them.

"These bulls are like golden retrievers, and the bulls over there are like pit bulls with rabies," said Justin Kufahl, 35, who has participated in 22 Pamplona runs and was on hand Friday night to offer advice to novice bull runners.

He told people to keep an eye on the bulls but to also watch other runners,

After huffing and puffing around the track, some said they found the bulls not as challenging as they had imagined.

"What is this, walking with the bulls?" one participant shouted out as he finished the course, looked back and still did not see any bulls pursuing him.

"I could have done that with a cigarette in one hand and a beer in the other," said another runner, his face painted red. Still, organizers said the risks were real, given the fact that the bulls, even with their dull horns and relatively docile natures, weighed



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Airstrikes pound Yemen as violence escalates

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ADEN, Yemen – Airstrikes, believed to be carried out by U.S. drones, killed at least nine people in southern Yemen, including a senior official of the regional branch of al-Qaida and an American, the 17-year-old son of an al-Qaida official killed by the U.S. last month, according to the government and local reports Saturday.

Fighting also escalated in the capital, Sanaa, where at least 12 anti-government protesters were killed by security forces near the Foreign Ministry, and at least four civilians were killed in a battle near the airport, opposition officials said.

The fighting was the deadliest since President Ali Abdullah Saleh returned to the country last month, and coincided with rising political tensions as all sides await a statement expected by the U.N. Security Council in the coming weeks.

Yemen has been in turmoil for months, as protesters demanding the ouster of Saleh, who has led Yemen for 33 years, have filled the streets



Anti-government protesters pray as smoke from a building rises above the city of Sanaa, the capital of Yemen, Oct. 15, 2011. During a protest demanding the ouster of President Ali Abdullah Saleh, at least 12 anti-government protesters were killed by forces loyal to the embattled president near the Foreign Ministry and at least four civilians were killed in a battle near the airport, opposition officials said.

(The New York Times)

and rival political factions have fought for power. Saleh, despite tremendous domestic opposition, international pressure and an assassination attempt that severely wounded him in June,

has refused to cede power. Islamic militant groups, including al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, the Yemeni branch of the terrorist organization, have exploited the chaos, especially in Shabwa and Abyan provinces in the south.

The U.S. drone strike that killed the al-Qaida senior official, Anwar al-Awlaki, was particularly controversial in the U.S. because

despite being a U.S. citizen, he was killed without legal due process. The U.S. has argued that though he was known as a propagandist, he had taken on an operational role in the organization, plotting attacks against Americans, making him a legitimate target.

The killing of his son in the attack Friday night, if confirmed, would be the sec-

ond time an American was killed by the U.S., though it was not clear if the son was an intended target.

The Yemeni authorities said that there were two airstrikes in Shabwa province Friday night, and that Ibrahim al-Banna, the Egyptian-born leader of the media wing of al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, was killed.

Six others were wounded, according to a statement on the official Saba news agency.

Local reports said nine people were killed in the airstrikes, and that they were carried out by U.S. drones.

Neither Yemeni nor U.S. officials confirmed the role of U.S. drones, whose use in Yemen is officially secret but widely known.

A member of the Awlaki family said that the dead included Anwar al-Awlaki's son, Abdelrahman al-Awlaki, 17. The younger al-Awlaki lived in the capital and was visiting the family home in the Assan District of Shabwa province after the death of his father.

Two other relatives of the al-Awlaki family were also killed, the family said. It was not known whether any of them had any affiliation with al-Qaida.

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Somalia food giveaway made in al-Qaida's name raises questions

JEFFREY GETTLEMAN

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NAIROBI, Kenya – Al-Qaida is not known for its philanthropic activities, but this weekend in Somalia the terrorist group appears to have branched into a new business: distributing humanitarian aid.

In a surreal scene, a man with a scarf twisted over his face stood in the middle of a camp full of starving people and announced that he had come to Somalia on behalf of Ayman al-Zawahri, al-Qaida's leader, and that al-Qaida was eager to help famine victims. "Our beloved brothers and sisters in Somalia, we are following your situation on a daily basis," said

the man, identified as Abu Abdulla Almuhajir. According to witnesses and photographs from the event, he was surrounded by masked gunmen wearing clean, white vests like aid workers. Almuhajir presided over mounds of donated grain, in sacks marked "al-Qaida campaign on behalf of Martyr Bin Laden. Charity relief for those affected by the drought." Stranger still, Almuhajir's skin was white (his plaid scarf popped open in a few places) and he spoke perfect English, with an American accent. He said that "brothers in al-Qaida" had brought grain, powdered milk and dates for the famine victims and that al-Zawahri had

sent him to Somalia with a message of greetings and sympathy. "Though we are separated by thousands of kilometers, you are consistently in our thoughts and prayers," he told the Somalis gathered around him on Friday, and witnesses said a similar scene unfolded on Saturday. Somalia has lurched from crisis to crisis since the central government imploded in 1991, and the country is once again on the ropes. A famine is sweeping the southern regions, and the United Nations says that tens of thousands of people have died across the country and that as many as 750,000 could starve to death in the coming months. □



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NATO: Taliban attacks down



Children who are displaced with their families from Pakistan's northwest region where security forces are fighting with militants and Taliban, sell milk in Islamabad's slums on Wednesday, in Pakistan.

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RAY RIVERA

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KABUL, Afghanistan – Despite a sharp increase in assassinations and a continuing flood of civilian casualties, NATO officials said Saturday that they had reversed the momentum of the Taliban insurgency as enemy attacks are falling for the first time in years. It was the most optimistic assessment yet from senior NATO officials, and runs counter to dimmer appraisals from some Afghan officials and other international agencies, including the United Nations. With the United States preparing to withdraw 10,000 troops by the end of this year and 23,000 more by next October, it raises questions about whether NATO's claims of success can be sustained. Coalition officials have previously used terms like "halted" and "arrested" to describe the shift of Taliban influence following the U.S. troop buildup. □

Arab League stops short of suspending Syria

Continued from front page

Just after the meeting with Syrian diplomats, Qatar Foreign Minister Hamad bin Jassim made no mention of a possible suspension and instead gave Syria a 15-day deadline to enact a cease-fire.

The Arab League also agreed to create a committee led by Qatar to oversee the situation in Syria and said a national dialogue between Syrian officials and the opposition would take place at the League's headquarters in Cairo.

"A national dialogue in 15 days is one of the most important decisions of the day," bin Jassim said.

The national dialogue is to include members of the

opposition from outside Syria as well as inside. If the meeting and a cease-fire

do not take place within the allotted time frame, the Arab League will meet



Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal, center, is accompanied by Algeria's representative to the Arab league Abdel Kader El-Hagar, left, during an Arab Foreign Ministers meeting at the Arab League headquarters in Cairo Sunday Oct. 16, 2011 to discuss the possibility of suspending Syria's membership of the league. The Arab League has called an emergency meeting Sunday to discuss whether to suspend Syria, officials said, ramping up the pressure on Damascus to end its bloody crackdown on anti-government protesters.

(AP Photo/Amr Nabil)

again in an emergency session, participants said.

Syrian state TV reported that Damascus was not eager to hold the dialogue in Cairo, suggesting it should be held in Syria instead.

The newly formed Syrian National Council, a broad based opposition umbrella group, was also seen unlikely to accept the call for dialogue, though some factions within the fragmented opposition who might be willing to hold talks. Some activists rejected the idea of talks with the Assad regime. "We said it from the day the first martyr fell: No dialogue with the killers. The killers will be put on trial by the free Syrian people," wrote prominent Syrian opposition figure Suhair Atassi on her Twitter feed. □



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Calderon defends response to Mexico's drug war

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MEXICO CITY – As the twilight of his presidency sets in, President Felipe Calderon of Mexico is striving to lock in the militarized approach to drug cartels that has defined his tenure, pushing aside public doubts and pressing lawmakers to adopt strategies he hopes will outlast him.

Calderon has recently stepped up calls for Mexico's Congress to approve stalled initiatives to remake state and local police forces, codify the military's role in fighting crime and broaden its powers, toughen the federal penal code and tighten laws to stop money laundering.

At this pivotal point, with violence swelling and presumptive candidates jockeying for position ahead of Mexico's presidential election in July, Calderon has limited time to make the case that his strategy has worked.



President Felipe Calderon of Mexico during an interview at the Los Pinos in Mexico City. As the twilight of his presidency sets in, Calderon is striving to lock in the militarized approach to drug cartels that has defined his tenure, pushing aside public doubts and pressing lawmakers to adopt strategies he hopes will outlast him.

(Susana Gonzalez/The New York Times)

He insists that the country will eventually become more secure, although about 40,000 people have been killed since he declared his war against organized crime.

He began waging it shortly after taking office in 2006 as violence climbed, and he has continued pressing

his offensive against drug organizations as they have splintered and descended into bloody infighting over territory and criminal rackets.

But in a wide-ranging interview, he could not say that his approach had made Mexico safer.

"What I can say is Mexico

will be safer," he said, "and to have not acted, it would have deteriorated much more."

It is a nuanced, difficult argument to make as his party, the right-of-center National Action Party, faces the real prospect of losing the presidency, raising the question of whether Calderon's approach will continue after his six-year term ends next year. Term limits prevent him from running again.

The killings in Mexico have reached such a point, analysts say, that no matter who wins the election, there will be intense pressure for a new course to somehow ease the violence without giving in to the cartels. The new president will also face demands from the United States, which has invested heavily in personnel, equipment and expertise and whose political leaders worry about the growing reach of transnational gangs. □

Liberians count votes and fraud allegations

ADAM NOSSITER

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DAKAR, Senegal – Signaling potential trouble in a country with a history of political violence, nine opposition parties in Liberia on Saturday expressed dissatisfaction with a presidential election held last week, threatening to disavow the result when it is announced.

International observers have said the vote, in which the Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Ellen Johnson Sirleaf is seeking re-election, was free and fair.

Votes are still being tallied, and Sirleaf leads in preliminary results, with about 45 percent of the vote, not enough to avoid a runoff.

But on Saturday, parties running against Sirleaf issued a statement alleging fraud and saying that "if the process continues we will not accept the results."

A spokesman for the main opposition party, the Congress for Democratic Change, said that, despite these claims, it would not be pulling out of the race, and was merely "seeking an agreed process to conclude the counting." The spokesman, Nimley Bestman, said: "Our standard bearer has not canceled his race." The party is led by Winston Tubman, a member of the American-descended elite that long ruled the country – to the detriment of the native population, historians say. □

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Revolutionary fighters use heavy machinery to tear down a guard tower at the Bab al-Aziziya compound in Tripoli, Libya, Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011.

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Libyans bulldoze Gadhafi's Tripoli compound

KIM GAMEL
Associated Press

TRIPOLI, Libya (AP) — Libyan revolutionary forces bulldozed the green walls surrounding Moammar Gadhafi's main Tripoli compound on Sunday, saying it was time "to tear down this symbol of tyranny."

The sprawling, fortress-like compound known as Bab al-Aziziya has long been hated by Libyans who feared to even walk nearby during Gadhafi's more than four decades in power and its capture was seen as a turning point in the civil war as revolutionaries overran the capital in late August. Ahmad Ghargory, commander of a revolutionary brigade, said the area will be turned into a public park accessible to all Libyans. "It's the revolutionary decision to tear down this symbol of tyranny," Ghargory said. "We were busy with the war, but now we have the space to do this." Already, the courtyard in front of Gadhafi's former house, which he used for many fiery speeches trying to rally supporters during the uprising, has been turned into a weekly pet market. □

Iran's Khamenei warns US over assassination claims

ALI AKBAR DAREINI
Associated Press

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran's supreme leader warned the United States on Sunday that any measures taken against Tehran over an alleged plot to assassinate the Saudi ambassador to Washington would elicit a "resolute" response.

Two men, including a member of the Iranian special foreign actions unit known as the Quds Force, have been charged in New York federal court with conspiring to kill the Saudi diplomat, Adel Al-Jubeir. U.S. officials have said no one was ever in any immediate danger from the plot.

"If U.S. officials have some delusions, (they must) know that any unsuitable act, whether political or security, will meet a resolute response from the Iranian nation," state TV quoted Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei as saying.

Iran also demanded that a diplomat be allowed to visit one of the men in prison. Khamenei's comments may reflect Iranian con-



In this photo released by an official website of the Iranian supreme leader's office, Iranian supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, waves to the crowd, under a portrait of the late revolutionary founder Ayatollah Khomeini, during a rally in his trip to the western city of Kermanshah. Iran's supreme leader warned the United States on Sunday that any measures taken against Tehran over an alleged plot to assassinate the Saudi ambassador to Washington would elicit a "resolute" response.

(AP Photo/Office of the Supreme Leader)

cerns that Washington would use the Al-Jubeir case to ratchet up sanctions and recruit international allies to try to further isolate Tehran.

U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton has been blunt in saying the United States would use the allegations as leverage with other countries that have been reluctant to apply harsh sanctions or penalties against Iran.

Khamenei, who has the final say on all state matters in Iran, said that the U.S. accused Iran of terror in order to divert attention from its economic woes and from the Occupy Wall Street protest movement.

"By attributing an absurd and meaningless accusation to a few Iranians, they tried ... to show that Iran is a supporter of terrorism. ... This conspiracy didn't work and won't work," he said. Iran's President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, for his part, dismissed the U.S. accusations as a fabricated "scenario." □

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New tool for mountain climbers: a stopwatch



Chad Kellogg, a mountain climber, trains on Mt. Rainier, Wash. Kellogg, who is among an elite group of mountain climbers who are not only devising new routes and making first ascents, but also speeding up established routes in stunning times, has set his sights on a record climb of Mount Everest, without supplemental oxygen.

(Stuart Isett/The New York Times)

SEAN PATRICK FARRELL

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MOUNT RAINIER NATIONAL PARK, Wash. — A popular route here that includes an ascent of 9,000 feet of rock and ice takes days for most mountain climbers. One man needed only five hours.

The face of the 13,000-foot Eiger, in the Swiss Alps, has long presented climbers with one of the most daunting challenges in the world. One man recently conquered it in less than three hours.

From the big walls of Yosemite to the peaks of the Alps, climbers are setting speed records as techniques develop and gear becomes lighter or is left behind in favor of a minimalist approach that leaves little margin for error. Many quick athletes say they are

doing what climbers have always done — striving to reach the summit a bit faster or with purer style. But as stopwatches become as important as carabiners, others say focusing on speed runs counter to the ethos of climbing.

"I don't feel, personally, that setting records and using the routes as tracks to set a new speed record — I don't feel that that's important to climbing," said Steve House, an American alpinist known for his fast and light style of carrying the bare essentials on difficult climbs. "I feel like that's important to people's egos, and I feel like that's important to people's sponsors." Chad Kellogg, a 40-year-old general contractor from Seattle, rejects such notions.

On a late-summer after-

noon, Kellogg, in running shorts and tennis shoes, hurtled up Mount Rainier's steep snowfields, his labored breathing audible for yards. A few casual day hikers gawked.

Kellogg cannot afford to dawdle with passers-by. He is among an elite group of mountain climbers who are not only devising new routes and making first ascents, but also speeding up established routes in stunning times. His accomplishments have been personal quests, he said. He is training for a record ascent of Mount Everest.

"I don't really care what anyone else thinks," he said. "Ultimately, I'm doing this for me."

The number of climbers capable of such record

times on the earth's vertical planes is quite small, said Steve Swenson, the president of the American Alpine Club, a national climbing organization. Many elite climbers, he said, are not interested in speed — records are often reported on an honor system and are hardly official — but he understands the draw to push boundaries.

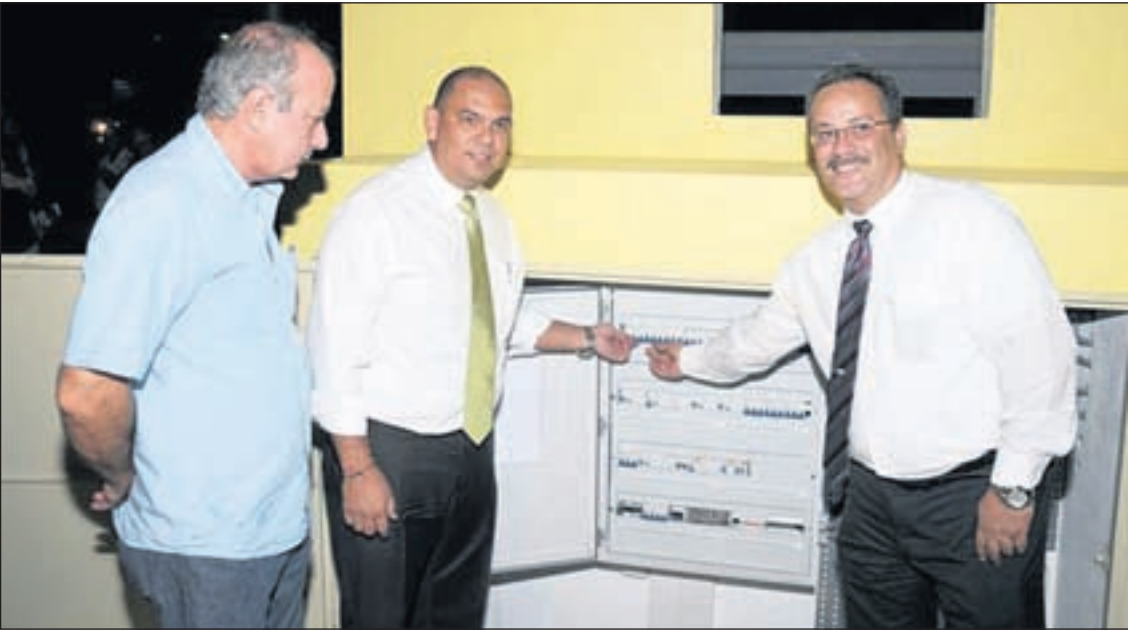
"Fifty years ago, adventure in the mountains was more about going places where no one had been," he said. "Most of these places have been more thoroughly explored. Maybe adventure gets redefined."

At one vertiginous end of that redefinition are climbers like Alex Honnold, 26, a rising star of the rock climbing scene at Yosemite. □



Chad Kellogg, a mountain climber, left, helps another climber train at Vertical World in Seattle, Wash., Sept. 20, 2011. Kellogg, who is among an elite group of mountain climbers who are not only devising new routes and making first ascents, but also speeding up established routes in stunning times, has set his sights on a record climb of Mount Everest, without supplemental oxygen.

(Stuart Isett/The New York Times)



Aruba Linear Park lights are lit! Ministers Otmar Oduber and Mike de Meza turn on the lights



ORANJESTAD - Minister of Tourism, Transportation & Labor Otmar Oduber and Minister of Finance Mike de Meza officially lit the lights to the Aruba Linear Park this past Friday at 7 pm set by .

This park will be one of the longest in the Caribbean with a total length of ten miles, starting at the Reina Beatrix Airport to Arashi Beach by the lighthouse. The Linear Park will include a cycling path, walking path, adequate lighting, sheltered areas, parking spaces, public bathrooms, kiosks and sufficient space for organizing different activities, with wonderful gardening.□



The Prime Minister of Aruba Mike Eman and his wife Doina were welcomed with great warmth and friendship by Ethel Kennedy in the home of Robert F. Kennedy. RFK's children and grandchildren were also there to welcome the delegation of Aruba including Minister Plenipotentiary to the United States Jocelyne Croes. Prime Minister Eman was invited to the Kennedy house in Hyannisport, Massachusetts for the "Robert F. Kennedy Center for Justice and Human Rights" event. This occasion came about while Eman was giving a lecture at Harvard University Kennedy School of Government in Boston, MA when the Joe Kennedy, the son of RFK, extended an invitation to their home to commemorate this event.□



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preparation for the big night. Claudius Phillips and his band OREO accompanied all singers, producing an exciting and diverse show, in Papiamento, English and Spanish, with all musical styles nicely represented including elaborate dance numbers and original choreography. The following are the results for this year's edition of the

Song Festival: in category A, 3rd place: Jancy Pietersz; 2nd place: Alberto Groeneveldt and in 1st place: Maroushka Violenus. In category B, 3rd place: Rose-Ann Aparicio; 2nd place: Anais Ridderstaat and in 1st place: Rafael Marquez. Most popular singer: Alberto Groeneveldt, also won Best Show, with his spirited, rocking and rolling rendition of Footloose. □

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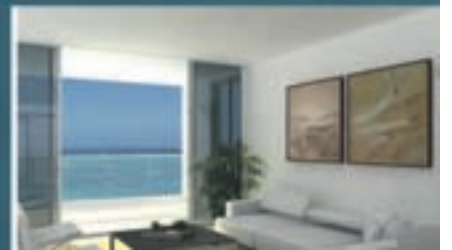
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“Cooperation on Security Essential for the Prosperity of Aruba” says PM

ORANJESTAD - The Prime Minister of Aruba Mike Eman, said today at the Thirty-third Policy Round Table of the Organization of American States (OAS) that current conditions of prosperity in his country would not be possible without the security ties it shares with the Kingdom

and the Chairman of the Inter-American Defense Board (IADB), Guy Thibault. On the issue of security in the Caribbean, Prime Minister Eman said that “when you look at the peace and security in Aruba and the opportunity to prosper because of this security, you could as politicians take

he continued, “the people of Aruba have chosen to maintain relations with the Dutch Kingdom in order to have foreign affairs, defense, and legal security all arranged on a broader base in order to secure objectivity and effective enforcement to confront these world-scale and in-

laboration with the United States Border Patrol. “Our geographic location definitely gives us challenges to secure our borders,” he asserted.

“Aruba is at the front of the South American coast, we know that is where many of the drugs come from, and we are between the markets in the upper North and the producers down South, and being in between we have the natural challenge to keep the territory safe and to keep other territories safe,” he added. For his part, the OAS Secretary for Multidimensional Security,

Adam Blackwell, recalled that the relation between Aruba and the Netherlands “is of great interest to the OAS, since geographically the Caribbean island is part of our Hemisphere.” In this sense, he recalled that the hemispheric Organization “is building a multidimensional platform” on security, and mentioned some of the areas in which it is currently working on: customs and border control in the Caribbean, maritime and aviation security, money laundering, trafficking in people, firearms marking and tracing, prevention and combating human trafficking, and inter-American police training.

The Naval Attaché and Assistant Defense Attaché for the Netherlands in the United States, Jos Coumans, offered a presentation on the role played by the military and civilian forces of his country in strengthening security in Aruba and the Caribbean region.

In particular, he noted that among the principal tasks are the promotion of regional stability and security, support for civilian authorities, maritime security and maritime law enforcement, and he added that regional cooperation includes ties to the governments of the United States, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Barbados, Trinidad and Tobago, Colombia, Venezuela, and Suriname, among others. The Chairman of the Inter-American Defense Board (IADB), Guy Thibault, recalled that the subject of security is essential to guaranteeing progress among the pillars of development of nations, and advocated for the creation of a comprehensive approach that links the military forces of different countries.

In particular, he insisted on greater information and intelligence sharing, especially during crises; maintaining and deepening relations to ensure that the IADB is connected; confidence- and security-building measures among the countries; and improving preparation and capacity-building to enhance response in situations of emergency. The OAS Policy Round Table program, launched in 2007, seeks to enrich the discussion of the hemispheric agenda by bringing together political analysts and members of the diplomatic community to talk about the principal issues affecting the region. The event was held in the Hall of the Americas at OAS headquarters in Washington, DC, and included a question and answer session. □



of the Netherlands, the United States and other governments of the region. The Caribbean leader was the keynote speaker at the debate titled, “Peace and Security: the Kingdom of the Netherlands in the Caribbean; its geo-strategic importance in advancing security in the region,” in which he was joined by the Naval Attaché and Assistant Defense Attaché for the Netherlands in the United States, Jos Coumans; the OAS Secretary for Multidimensional Security, Ambassador Adam Blackwell;

the credit for making these choices, but in reality if you look at the circumstances this credit should be given to the people of Aruba.” “If you look at what hinders international cooperation on security in other countries, the answer is the sense of autonomy and sovereignty that countries and peoples cling to,” and that is why they don’t give their authorities the space necessary to enter into agreements that allow for greater cooperation on matters of security, he emphasized.

In the case of his country,

ternational threats.” In the case of other countries, he said, if the electorate is not willing to give its authorities “the necessary space” to enter into international agreements, it will be difficult to implement effective visions on security. As examples of the cooperation that Aruba has developed with the Netherlands and other governments of the region, Prime Minister Eman mentioned the efforts against drug trafficking, a coast guard system based on cooperation with other countries, and col-

NL WILD CARDS going World Series, meet Texas

St. Louis Cardinals' David Freese (23) knocks the glove and ball away from Milwaukee Brewers catcher Jonathan Lucroy as he scores on a sacrifice fly by Adron Chambers during the fifth inning of Game 6 of baseball's National League championship series Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011, in Milwaukee.

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Ben Crane waves to the crowd after hitting a par putt on the 18th green during the final round of the McGladrey Classic golf tournament at the Sea Island Golf Club on St. Simons Island, Ga., Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011. Crane won on the second hole of a playoff.

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Ben Crane rallies to win McGladrey Classic

By DOUG FERGUSON
AP Golf Writer

ST. SIMONS ISLAND, Ga. (AP)—Ben Crane wasn't sure why he was even playing the McGladrey Classic. The real mystery came Sunday afternoon, when he sat down next to a shiny silver trophy.

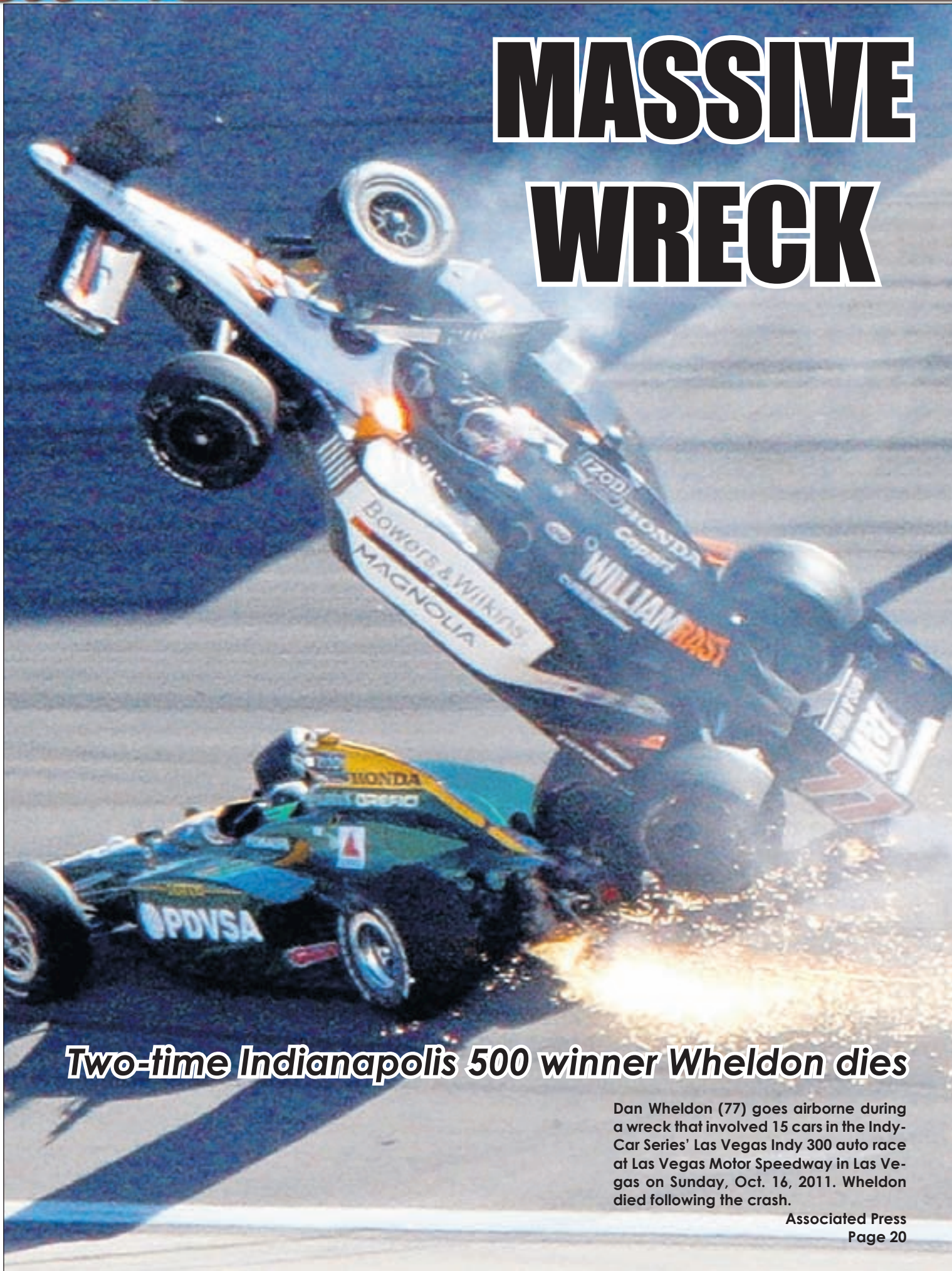
"What the heck am I doing here?" Crane said.

His wife is expecting their third child, though a Caesarian section is scheduled for Monday in Dallas. Crane thought about withdrawing five minutes before his tee time Thursday because of a sore hip that was getting worse.

And with 11 holes left in the tournament, he was seven shots out of the lead.

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MASSIVE WRECK



Two-time Indianapolis 500 winner Wheldon dies

Dan Wheldon (77) goes airborne during a wreck that involved 15 cars in the IndyCar Series' Las Vegas Indy 300 auto race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway in Las Vegas on Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011. Wheldon died following the crash.

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Crane ran off four straight birdies around the turn, then another batch of four straight birdies for a 7-under 63. He wound up winning in a playoff when Webb Simpson missed a short par putt on the second extra hole.

"I'm in a little bit of shock—a lot of shock," Crane said. "I don't know how those guys played, but I know I played just about as good as I can play."

Michael Thompson, a 25-year-old tour rookie who had a one-shot lead going into the final round, stretched the margin to three shots on the front nine until he stalled. He hit his tee shot into a hazard on the 18th hole, made bogey and shot 69 to finish one shot out of the playoff. Billy Horschel, also playing in the last group, imploded early and late and shot 75. Simpson closed with a 66, despite not making a birdie over his last seven holes. The playoff—the 18th this



Ben Crane holds the McGladrey Classic trophy after winning the final round of the McGladrey Classic golf tournament at the Sea Island Golf Club on St. Simons Island, Ga., Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011. Crane won on the second hole of a playoff.

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year on the PGA Tour to extend a record—looked as though it might go longer when Crane made a 5-foot comebacker for par on the 17th. Simpson only had to knock in a putt just over 3 feet for par, but it caught the right edge and spun

away.

"As soon as I hit it, I looked up expecting it to be going in, and saw it catching the right lip," Simpson said. "It was unfortunate to end that way."

Despite missing a chance to become the PGA Tour's

only three-time winner this year, Simpson's runner-up finish gave him a commanding lead over Luke Donald in his late bid to win the tour's money title.

Crane, who earned \$720,000 for his first win this year, and Simpson finished at 15-under 265 at Sea Island.

Starting the day five shots out of the lead, Crane thought a 63 or 62 might be enough. He really didn't pay much attention, not realizing until he saw a leaderboard on the 16th hole that he was still in the game.

His 7-iron on the 14th stopped a foot from going in. His 3-wood on the par-5 15th set up a two-putt birdie from long range. Once he knew the score, Crane was at his best with the putter, holing birdie putts of about 20 feet on the 16th and 17th.

"I thought, 'Well, I need to make two birdies in three holes.' Do you guys have any idea how many times we say that to ourselves?"

And how many times does it actually happen?"

It did on Sunday, giving Crane his fourth career win. With his runner-up finish, Simpson moved to the top of the money list by \$363,029 over Donald. Both have entered the season-ending tournament next week in Disney, though Donald's task became a lot more difficult.

At the very least, Donald would have to finish no worse than a two-way for second to have any chance to move past Simpson and resume his bid to become the first player to win money titles on the PGA Tour and European Tour. Donald already has a comfortable lead in Europe.

"Finishing second is going to make it a lot harder for Luke," Simpson said. "But I'm sure he's going to play well."

He's played well most every week this year. I still wouldn't be surprised if I have a little work to do next week." □

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Murray beats Ferrer to win Shanghai Masters

By JUSTIN BERGMAN
Associated Press

SHANGHAI (AP)—Defending champion Andy Murray defeated David Ferrer 7-5, 6-4 to win the Shanghai Masters on Sunday, ensuring he'll vault past Roger Federer to No. 3 in the ATP rankings.

The Scot, currently ranked fourth, has made finishing the season at No. 3 one of his main goals for the end of the year. It will be the first time Federer has fallen out of the top three since June 2003—just before he won his first Wimbledon title.

Murray has been unbeatable during the autumn Asian swing of the ATP tour, capturing consecutive titles in Bangkok, Tokyo—where he beat Rafael Nadal in the final—and Shanghai.

He has also won 25 of 26 matches since mid-August, the only loss coming to Nadal in the semifinals of the U.S. Open.

After accepting the trophy on court, Murray said a few words to the crowd in Chinese. "Da shi, shi bu ke dang," which roughly

translates to "Masters are unstoppable."

Murray's reached a career-high ranking of No. 2 in 2009 but has never finished the year higher than No. 4. Federer reached the final in Shanghai last year but skipped this year's tournament, costing him valuable points.

The 30-year-old Federer, who will finish a season without a Grand Slam title for the first time since 2002, is expected to return for the Swiss Indoors in Basel but still has to defend a number of points to defend after winning the ATP World Tour Finals in London last year.

"I'm still not guaranteed to finish at No. 3. I'm still going to have to win some more matches," Murray said. "But if you finish in front of Federer in a year, then there's not many people the last five, six, seven years that have been able to say that." Murray believes the gap between him and the top two players—Novak Djokovic and Nadal—is closing.

"I don't feel like I'm that far

away," the Scot said. "I just have to play better. There's nothing else to say. I can win against Rafa. I can win against Novak. I just have to play better against them in the five setters."

The fifth-ranked Ferrer had rallied in his last three matches after losing the first set—saving three match points against Juan Carlos Ferrero in the third round—but he couldn't manage it against Murray, whom he has never beaten on hard courts.

Murray got an early boost by breaking Ferrer's serve in the first game of the match, but the Scot gave the advantage right back by making a string of unforced errors to drop serve in the next game.

Both players then began to find their strokes, engaging in lengthy rallies from behind the baseline with sharply angled forehands and slice backhands—a style of play more suited to Ferrer, the clay-court specialist.

But serving at 5-5, Ferrer hit two shots into the net and



Andy Murray of Britain poses with his winning trophy for photographers after he won the singles final against David Ferrer of Spain in the Shanghai Masters tennis tournament in Shanghai, China, Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011.

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then double-faulted—missing the second serve by more than a foot—to give Murray the break. The Scot hit two aces in the next game to close out the set. Ferrer dropped his serve immediately to start the second set, but again, Murray squandered the break, double-faulting twice to drop serve himself, slamming a ball off the court in anger afterward.

The Spaniard's momentum was halted in the third game, however, when he missed an easy overhead into the net to give Murray another break. He only won five more points on Murray's serve the rest of the way.

"I was really happy with the way I stayed focused," Murray said. "It's hard to explain. It's almost you'd think the more matches you win, the less pressure you feel. I was hitting the ball well, but there's still a little bit of tension because you want to try and keep the run going." Murray and Ferrer are separated by just one place in the rankings, but the Scot was the heavy favorite coming into the match. He had won all four of his previous matches against the Spaniard on hard courts, including two this year—in the semifinals of the Japan Open last week and in the semifinals of the Australian Open. □

Indy 500 winner Wheldon dies in massive wreck

By JOHN MARSHALL

AP Sports Writer

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Indianapolis 500 winner Dan Wheldon died Sunday at Las Vegas Motor Speedway after his car became ensnared in a fiery 15-car pileup, flew over another vehicle and landed in a catch fence just outside turn 2. The 33-year-old racer was a two-time Indy winner, including this year's race.

Three other drivers, including championship contender Will Power, were hurt in the pileup during Lap 13.

Wheldon was airlifted from the track to University Medical Center; about two hours later, his colleagues were told of his death.

"IndyCar is very sad to announce that Dan Wheldon has passed away from unsurvivable injuries," IndyCar CEO Randy Bernard said. "Our thoughts and prayers are with his family today. IndyCar, its drivers and owners, have decided to end the race."

In his honor, drivers took part in a five-lap salute around the oval.

IndyCar has not had a fatality since Paul Dana was killed at Homestead in 2006, during a crash in a morning warmup.

Sunday's wreck left Townsend Bell upside down while smoldering cars and debris littered the track nearly halfway up the straightaway of the 1.5-mile oval.

The accident appeared to start when Wade Cunningham's car swerved on the track and JR Hildebrand drove over the left rear of Cunningham's car. Hildebrand appeared to go airborne, and Cunningham's car shot up into the wall, setting off a chain reaction among the cars behind him. Some of those cars slowed, others didn't, and others spun in front of Wheldon and Power. There was so much chaos on the track it was hard to tell who was driving what car.

Power appeared to fly over Alex Lloyd's car, rolling into the catchfence and landing on its right side. His in-



Drivers, including Dan Wheldon (77, in air at left), crash during a wreck that involved 15 cars during the IndyCar Series' Las Vegas Indy 300 auto race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway in Las Vegas on Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011. Wheldon died following the crash.

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Dan Wheldon, of England, smiles during driver introductions for the IndyCar Series' Las Vegas Indy 300 auto race Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011, in Las Vegas. Wheldon, a two-time Indianapolis 500 winner, died following a crash in the race.

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car camera showed one of the front tires coming toward him in the cockpit. Wheldon then appeared to drive over Paul Tracy's car. Tracy seemed to be slowing but Wheldon did not. He went airborne and spun into the fence. The track was red-flagged following the accidents while crews worked on fences and removed smashed cars. Wheldon started in the back of the pack but quickly worked his way through the 34-car field before the wreck.

Despite winning this year's Indy 500, Wheldon couldn't put together a full-time ride this season. He landed in Sunday's race thanks to Bernard's promotion that promised \$5 million to any moonlighting driver who could win the IndyCar season finale at Vegas. Although there were no takers, Bernard refused to scrap the idea and Wheldon was declared eligible for the prize. It was Wheldon's 134th career start, but only the third of the season for the two-time Indianapolis 500 win-

ner.

"It was like a movie scene which they try to make as gnarly as possible," said Danica Patrick, making her final IndyCar start. "It was debris everywhere across the whole track, you could smell the smoke, you could see the billowing smoke on the back straight from the car. There was a chunk of fire that we were driving around. You could see cars scattered. Drivers had been concerned about the high speeds at the track, where they were hitting nearly 225 mph during practice.

Their concerns became reality when contact on Turn 2 sent cars flying through the air, crashing into each other and into the outside wall and catch fence.

"I'll tell you, I've never seen anything like it," Ryan Briscoe said. "The debris we all had to drive through the lap later, it looked like a war scene from Terminator or something. I mean, there were just pieces of metal and car on fire in the middle of the track with no car attached to it and just debris everywhere. So it was scary, and your first thoughts are hoping that no one is hurt because there's just stuff everywhere. Crazy."

Also injured in the crash

were Hildebrand and Pippa Mann. Both will remain in the hospital overnight. IndyCar said Mann was being treated for a burn to her right pinkie finger and will be released Monday morning, and Hildebrand was awake and alert but will be held overnight for further evaluation. The accident spoiled what Bernard had hoped would be a showcase event for the struggling IndyCar Series. The second-year CEO worked the entire season on turning the finale into a spectacle, and said he'd offer his resignation to the IndyCar board of directors if ABC's broadcast didn't pull a .8 ranking. His goal was to improve upon last year's season finale's horrible television rating and give the series some momentum for what's hoped to be a strong season in 2013 with the introduction of a new car and new manufacturers. So Bernard poured everything into Las Vegas, renting the speedway from owner Bruton Smith and agreeing to promote the event himself. He landed enough sponsorship to at least break even on race, and the \$5 million challenge bought him an enormous amount of publicity the entire year. □



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Pujols, Cardinals take wild ride to World Series

By COLIN FLY
AP Sports Writer

MILWAUKEE (AP) — An afterthought in early September, the St. Louis Cardinals are taking their wild ride all the way to the World Series.

David Freese hit a three-run homer in the first and manager Tony La Russa turned again to his brilliant bullpen for seven sturdy innings as St. Louis captured its 18th pennant with a 12-6 victory over the bumbling Milwaukee Brewers on Sunday night.

Albert Pujols and the wild-card Cardinals took out the heavily favored Phillies in the first round, then dispatched the division-rival Brewers on their own turf in Game 6 of the NL championship series.

Looking for its second title in six seasons, St. Louis opens the World Series at home Wednesday night with ace Chris Carpenter on the mound against the AL champion Texas Rangers. Trailing by 10½ games in the wild-card race on Aug. 25, the Cardinals surged down the stretch and took advantage of a monumental collapse by Atlanta to win a playoff spot on the final night of the regular season. Now, bolstered by a group of no-name relievers who keep answering La Russa's call, the Cardinals are back in the World Series for the first time since beating Detroit in 2006.

What a relief!

It was a disappointing end to a scintillating season for Prince Fielder, Ryan Braun and the NL Central champion Brewers, who finished with a franchise-record 96 wins, six games ahead of St. Louis.

Baseball's best home team collapsed in the NLCS, though, losing twice at

Miller Park in an error-filled flop. It was likely Fielder's final game with the Brewers, too. He can become a free agent after the season.

Rafael Furcal and Pujols hit solo homers off Chris

to beat the Phillies 1-0 in Game 5 of the NLDS, but took control of this series beginning in Game 2 by jumping out to early leads and letting their bullpen lead the way.

The Brewers' biggest hitters — Braun, Fielder and Weeks — finished 1 for 12. Fielder, the All-Star game MVP and the reason St. Louis will start at home on Wednesday, received a standing ova-

grabbing Matt Holliday's grounder and flipping it out of his glove to Lucroy to get Pujols at the plate, but Freese homered on the next pitch to make it 4-0 and extend his postseason hitting streak to 10 games. He was selected the series MVP. Marcum finished the first, ending his postseason 0-3 with a 14.90 ERA.

Furcal homered off Chris Narveson with two outs in the second and Pujols followed with a drive to left field to give St. Louis a 6-4 lead.

Holliday then singled, Freese doubled and the Brewers intentionally walked Yadier Molina with one out. Nick Punto hit a sacrifice fly and pinch-hitter Allen Craig singled in two more runs off LaTroy Hawkins to make it 9-4.

Yuniesky Betancourt's RBI double in the fourth cut the lead to 9-5, but Milwaukee fell apart in the fifth with three errors in a span of two plays.

First, Hart bobbled Freese's single in right field, allowing Holliday to reach third.

Holliday scored on the next play when third baseman Jerry Hairston Jr. committed two errors. First, he booted Molina's grounder and then flipped the ball out of his glove through Weeks' legs at second.

Pinch-hitter Adron Chambers' sacrifice fly gave St. Louis an 11-5 lead in the fifth. In the bottom of the inning, Braun's groundout cut the lead to 11-6, but the focus was on Pujols when he was slow to get up.

La Russa came out to check on his star, who gripped his right forearm and had a brief limp, but stayed in the game. He looked better, contributing a two-out RBI single in the eighth for the final margin. □



The St. Louis Cardinals celebrate after Game 6 of baseball's National League championship series against the Milwaukee Brewers Sunday, Oct. 16, 2011, in Milwaukee. The Cardinals won 12-6 to win the series and advance to the World Series.

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Narveson and St. Louis built a 9-4 lead by the time the bullpen took over for Edwin Jackson in the third inning. The group of Fernando Salas, Marc Rzepczynski, Octavio Dotel, Lance Lynn and Jason Motte allowed two runs the rest of the way. For the series, St. Louis relievers finished 3-0 with a 1.88 ERA over 28 2-3 innings.

The biggest scare came when Pujols appeared shaken up after tagging out Braun in the fifth inning when he fell hard on his right forearm on a close play at first base. The three-time MVP was slow to get up, but stayed in the game. St. Louis went 15-5 over the final 20 games to clinch a playoff spot on the final day of the regular season. The Cardinals needed Carpenter to throw a shutout

La Russa called on his relievers 28 times in the NLCS and Jackson's start was the shortest of the postseason for the Cardinals rotation, which finished the NLCS with a 7.66 ERA. St. Louis became the first team to win a postseason series without a starter reaching the sixth inning, according to STATS LLC.

Corey Hart, Rickie Weeks and Jonathan Lucroy all homered for the Brewers, who won a major league-most 57 times at Miller Park this season and four straight in the postseason before losing Game 2 to the Cardinals.

It was the two ugly defensive performances that will likely linger for Milwaukee, which committed four errors in a 7-1 loss in Game 5 and added three more in Game 6.

tion in his final at-bat in the eighth. He grounded out and slowly walked back to the dugout with his head down.

Struggling starter Shaun Marcum never really gave Milwaukee a chance and was hurt by defensive plays that weren't ruled errors.

In the first, Jon Jay singled with one out and stole second when Weeks couldn't hold onto Lucroy's throw. Marcum believed he had strike three on Pujols, who ended up walking.

Lance Berkman singled for the second time in 18 career at-bats against Marcum to drive in the first run, and center fielder Nyjer Morgan made an ill-advised throw to third, with Pujols moving from first to third, that let Berkman advance.

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Is Hopkins' career over after Dawson's shrug?

By GREG BEACHAM

AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP)—For the first time in his 23-year boxing career, Bernard Hopkins lost a fight when he couldn't get off the canvas.

The way Hopkins ended up on the canvas Saturday night will be debated long after the 46-year-old champion finally retires, particularly if this bizarre loss to Chad Dawson ends his unique career.

When Hopkins leaned over the crouching Dawson after throwing a punch late in the second round, Dawson lifted Hopkins off his feet by standing up, then shrugged Hopkins roughly to the ground. Hopkins landed awkwardly on the edge of the ring, separating a joint



Chad Dawson grimaces in pain after being pushed out of the ring by Bernard Hopkins during the second round of their boxing match, Saturday, Oct. 15, 2011, in Los Angeles. Dawson won by TKO in the second round after Hopkins wasn't able to continue due to his shoulder injury

in his left shoulder.

Staples Center's fans felt

cheated, chanting obscenities for several min-

utes. Dawson was furious at missing a career-defining moment, goading Hopkins to get up and fight. Hopkins demanded a foul and a no-contest result, then saw cheating and conspiracy when Dawson was awarded a TKO victory.

Yep, just another normal night at the fights.

A month after Floyd Mayweather Jr. knocked out Victor Ortiz with two punches whose sportsmanship and legality were widely debated, boxing somehow topped itself.

"If there's something abnormal to happen, it will happen in boxing," said Gary Shaw, Dawson's promoter.

Dawson's new light heavyweight title belt might as well carry a huge asterisk instead of the WBC logo, but Dawson (31-1, 18 KOs) tried to celebrate a victory even while frustration burned behind his eyes.

As for those fans who bought tickets or the \$54.99 pay-per-view show to watch a solid undercard and a ridiculous main event, Shaw suggested Hopkins (52-6-2) should refund their money.

"I really wanted the fight," said Dawson, who landed only seven of his 55 punches in the fight. "I wanted to show everybody what I could do. I knew what he'd do. He head-butted me twice in the first round. He had no power, nothing. ... I gave him the shoulder, and he saw a way out of the fight."

The ugly 5 1/2 -minute fight between two of the world's best technical boxers pro-

vided no answers about Dawson's ability to maximize his exceptional gifts, or Hopkins' once-in-a-generation toughness. Instead, the second-round TKO just raised several new questions.

Was Dawson's move dirty, or a reasonable response to a clutching opponent? Does Hopkins deserve a rematch of his only stoppage loss, even if he's unlikely to get it? Will the result change after an appeal? And was it the last fight for Hopkins, who must go through significant rehabilitation for his shoulder injury?

The oldest man to win a significant world title will be 47 in January. Hopkins has said he'll fight until he turns 50, but he's running out of suitable opponents for the big-money fights he craves. Hopkins, who threw only 29 punches and landed 11 before his injury, was released from a hospital two hours after the fight, his arm in a sling.

He claimed Dawson also grabbed his leg on his way to the canvas, throwing off his balance with a dirty trick, but television replays were inconclusive.

"They want me out of boxing, and this is one way to do it," Hopkins said. "He just wanted to rough me up with dirty tactics. He wanted to get me out of there, and that was the only way he could."

Hopkins might ask for a rematch of a fight that wasn't hugely anticipated the first time, and the WBC might order an immediate rematch for its belt. □

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Boston hospital performs double hand transplant

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BOSTON (AP) — A quadruple amputee who received new hands through a transplant operation says he is looking forward to doing ordinary things again: getting dressed, taking a shower, making coffee and, sweetest of all, touching the faces of his two grandsons.

Richard Mangino, 65, of Revere, lost his arms below the elbows and his legs below the knees after he had a kidney stone in 2002 and contracted a severe bloodstream infection.

Last week, a team of more than 40 surgeons, nurses and support staff at Boston's Brigham and Women's Hospital worked for more than 12 hours performing a hand transplant. Mangino said at a news conference Friday that he had adjusted to his life as a quadruple amputee. The former director of the ground crew for United Airlines at Boston's Logan airport, Mangino taught himself to do daily activities with his prostheses, mowing the lawn, shoveling snow and painting. He said people kept telling him what a "miracle" he was.

"But the one miracle I have prayed for, since my oldest grandson Trevor was born, was to be able to feel the sense of touch again ... to touch his and Nicky's little faces, and stroke their hair, and to teach them to



Double hand transplant recipient Richard Mangino, 65, of Revere, Mass., bottom, smiles as he is patted on the shoulder by Dr. Bohdan Pomahac, director of plastic surgery transplantation at Brigham Women's Hospital, following a news conference at the hospital, in Boston. Last week, a team of more than 40 surgeons, nurses and support staff at the hospital worked for more than 12 hours performing a bilateral hand transplant on Mangino.

(AP Photo/Steven Senne)

throw a ball," he said. "To me, that would be a miracle. And today, my miracle has come true."

Doctors said it will take six to nine months for Mangino to regain sensory function in his hands, but days after surgery he began independently moving his fingers.

The donor's name was not made public.

In a statement, the wife of the donor said her husband, in talking about donation, always said, "It's just a body."

"I didn't have to struggle with the decision," she said of donating her husband's

hands. "After I digested what it entailed, I thought, if it can help someone else out — I felt strongly that my husband would feel the same way," she said in her statement.

Dr. Bohdan Pomahac, director of plastic surgery transplantation at Brigham and Women's, said there have been approximately 50 hands transplanted worldwide, about a dozen of them in the United States. He said Mangino's surgery was only the fourth bilateral hand transplant in the U.S. Mangino's procedure was the second bilateral hand transplant by surgeons at Brigham and Women's, which has performed four face transplants.

In May, a Connecticut woman who was mauled by a chimpanzee received a new face and two hands at the hospital, but the hand transplant failed after Charla Nash developed pneumonia and other complications after surgery. □

CA industry group for doctors backs legalizing pot

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — California's largest industry group for doctors is calling for the legalization of marijuana even as it maintains that the drug has few proven health benefits. The Los Angeles Times reports the California Medical

Association adopted the new stance at its annual meeting Friday in Anaheim. A Sacramento physician who wrote the new policy says doctors are increasingly frustrated by the state's medical marijuana law, which allows use

with a doctor's recommendation.

Dr. Donald Lyman says physicians are put in the uncomfortable position of having to decide whether to recommend a drug that's illegal under federal law. □

Health overhaul law suffers first major casualty

RICARDO ZALDIVAR
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Obama administration's signature health overhaul law, under relentless assault by Republicans, has suffered its first major casualty — a long-term care insurance plan. The program, expected to launch in 2012, had been dogged from the beginning by doubts over its financial solvency. Proponents, including many groups that fought to pass the health care law, have vowed a vigorous effort to rescue the program, insisting that Congress gave the administration broad authority to make changes. Long-term care includes not only nursing homes, but such services as home health aides for disabled people. "This is a victory for the American taxpayer and future generations," said Sen. John Thune, R-S.D., spearheading opposition in the Senate. "The administration is finally admitting (the long-term care plan) is unsustainable and cannot be implemented." Known as CLASS, the Community Living Assistance Services and Supports program was a long-standing priority of the late Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass. Although sponsored by the government, it was supposed to function as a self-sustaining voluntary insurance plan, open to working adults regardless of age or health. Workers would pay an affordable monthly premium during their careers and could collect a modest daily cash benefit of at least \$50 if they became disabled later in life. □

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A year-end stock comeback?

DAVID K. RANDALL
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — 2011 was shaping up to be a washout for the stock market just two weeks ago. Now, it's within shouting distance of its biggest comeback in nearly three decades.

The Standard and Poor's 500 index has jumped 11.4 percent since hitting its lowest level of the year on Oct. 3, largely because investors have become more confident that Europe will shelter its banks from huge losses on Greek bonds should that country's government stop making payments on its debt. For much of the summer, investors feared that a Greek default could lead to a freeze of lending between European banks and cascade into a credit crisis similar to the one in 2008. The S&P 500 was down 12.6 percent for the year as of Oct. 3, when it closed at 1,099. As of Friday, it had trimmed the loss to 2.6 percent. It needs to gain just 33 points, or 2.8 percent, to get above 1,257, where it started the year.

If the S&P 500 finishes the year with a gain, it will be the biggest turnaround since 1984. That year, Apple Inc. introduced the Macintosh, and President Ronald Reagan's campaign ads proclaimed that it was "Morning Again in America." It was also the last time that the S&P 500 fell more than 10 percent during a



Trader Peter Tuchman, right, works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. 2011 was shaping up to be a washout for the stock market just two weeks ago. Now, it's within shouting distance of its biggest comeback in nearly three decades.

(AP Photo/Richard Drew)

calendar year and finished the year in the black. The index finished that year up 1.4 percent.

Edging out another gain of that size in 2011 wouldn't make anyone rich. But consider the hand that investors were dealt this year: A tsunami and nuclear disaster in Japan plunged the world's third-largest economy into a recession and created a worldwide parts shortage. Uprisings throughout the Arab world sent the price of gas skyrocketing to an average of \$3.98 a gallon in May. The U.S. lost its top-notch credit ranking for the first time. And Europe has teetered on the edge of a financial crisis that could hobble the region's banking system.

With all of that going on, investors might wonder how the S&P 500 index could possibly end the year higher than where it started. The biggest reason: some think stocks may be the best value out there.

With dividend payments alone, the S&P index offers a return on par with low-risk U.S. Treasuries. From Aug. 24 through Thursday, the yield on the 10-year Treasury note was below the dividend yield of the S&P 500 index. Since 1962, the only other time that's happened was during the 2008 credit crisis, according to J.P. Morgan.

"You have to have pretty dark thoughts to think that there's not a chance that the S&P 500 beats out Treasuries at this point," said Bill Stone, chief investment strategist at PNC Bank.

Stone also thinks company earnings are going to be better in the third quarter than many analysts expect, driving stock prices higher. Since July, analysts have cut back their estimates for the S&P 500's third quarter earnings 3 percent because of concerns that the U.S. economy might be heading into a recession. Since then, retail sales, applications for unemployment benefits, and the number of jobs added in August have been better than Wall Street expected. "The market has been priced for the worst, but that's not bearing out in reality," Stone said. □

UBS: Missteps must "never happen again"

ZURICH (AP) — The recent missteps by UBS must "never happen again" because they could have put both the Swiss banking giant and Switzerland itself at financial risk, the bank's interim CEO says.

Sergio Ermotti told the weekly SonntagsBlick of Zurich that UBS AG's \$2.3 billion rogue trading scandal and huge losses on subprime mortgages during the financial crisis might have endangered the nation along with the bank's core asset management business. Ermotti replaced Oswald Gruebel, who resigned Sept. 24 after the arrest of a London trader on



charges of fraud linked with the trades. The scandal has also undone the bank's efforts to clean up its image after massive subprime mortgage losses that forced the bank to accept a bailout from the Swiss government. UBS has also been involved in recent years in a U.S. tax evasion investigation. □

Germany:

Banks to take bigger losses on Greek debt

BERLIN (AP) — Germany's finance minister says private holders of Greek government bonds must accept bigger losses to achieve "a durable and sustainable solution" for Europe's debt crisis.

Wolfgang Schaueble told German public broadcaster ARD on Sunday that an agreement struck in July when banks and other investors agreed to renounce on 20 percent of their Greek debt must be renegotiated.

He says the private sector's contribution to a reduction of Greece's debt burden "will probably have to be higher." The Institute of International Finance, a global bank lobbying group, says its managing director Charles Dallara is in talks with officials from the 17-nation eurozone about the July agreement. Spokesman Frank Vogl declined to elaborate, but the group's leadership has so far rejected accepting bigger losses. □

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Premier Wen Jiabao has promised China's struggling exporters a stable exchange rate in a move that might fuel tensions with Washington over Beijing's currency controls as the global economy weakens.

China's Wen: 'Stable' currency to help exports

JOE McDONALD
AP Business Writer

BEIJING (AP) — Premier Wen Jiabao has promised China's struggling exporters a stable exchange rate in a move that might fuel tensions with Washington over Beijing's currency controls as the global economy weakens. Wen's pledge, reported by the official Xinhua News Agency and state radio, comes after the U.S. Senate approved a measure to allow higher tariffs on Chinese goods that critics say are unfairly cheap due to an artificially undervalued currency. Beijing's exchange rate controls are especially sensitive at a time when other nations are trying to revive growth by boosting exports and complain that a weak Chinese yuan is widening the country's swollen trade surplus. Wen's pledge Friday at a trade fair in southern China came after export growth suffered an unexpectedly steep decline in September, hurt by a fall in sales to Europe amid the continent's debt crisis. □

Kinder Morgan to buy El Paso Corp. for \$20.7 billion

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Kinder Morgan agreed Sunday to buy the El Paso Corp., a natural gas exploration and pipeline company, for about \$20.7 billion in cash and stock, in one of the biggest energy deals in recent years.

Including the debt owed by El Paso and an affiliated business, El Paso Pipeline Partners, the takeover is valued at about \$38 billion.

Through the deal, Kinder Morgan will become the nation's biggest player in the business of transporting natural gas, with more than 80,000 miles of pipelines.

"This once in a lifetime transaction is a win-win opportunity for both companies," Richard D. Kinder, the chief executive of Kinder Morgan, said in a statement.

Under the terms of the deal, Kinder Morgan will pay



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\$14.65 in cash, .4187 of its warrants for each El Paso own shares and .640 of its share. At Friday's closing

price, that values the offer at about \$26.87. That is a 37 percent premium to El Paso's Friday closing price.

El Paso announced in May that it planned to spin off its exploration and production businesses to shareholders, leaving it with its midstream operations, which account for 66 percent of its annual revenue.

Kinder Morgan said Sunday that it plans to sell off El Paso's exploration and production businesses.

After the deal's closing, which is expected by the second quarter next year, Kinder Morgan shareholders will own about 68 percent of the combined company, while El Paso shareholders will own 32 percent. Kinder Morgan has received a financing commitment from Barclays Capital for the entire cash portion of the deal. □



DETROIT (AP) — Workers at Ford's largest local union have approved a new labor contract with the company, making it more likely it will be ratified in the next

few days.

The United Auto Workers union says 62 percent of the 5,282 workers voting at Local 600 in Dearborn, Mich., favored the agree-

ment. Dearborn, which is just outside Detroit, is also the home of Ford's headquarters.

Ford Motor Co. and the UAW reached a tentative

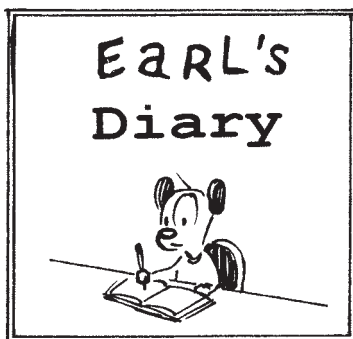
Ford's largest local union approves contract

agreement on the contract earlier this month, but it must be ratified by workers. Ford has 41,000 UAW workers.

UAW President Bob King has expressed confidence the agreement would pass, despite some dissent at other local unions.

The UAW says that 57 percent of those voting so far have approved the agreement. □

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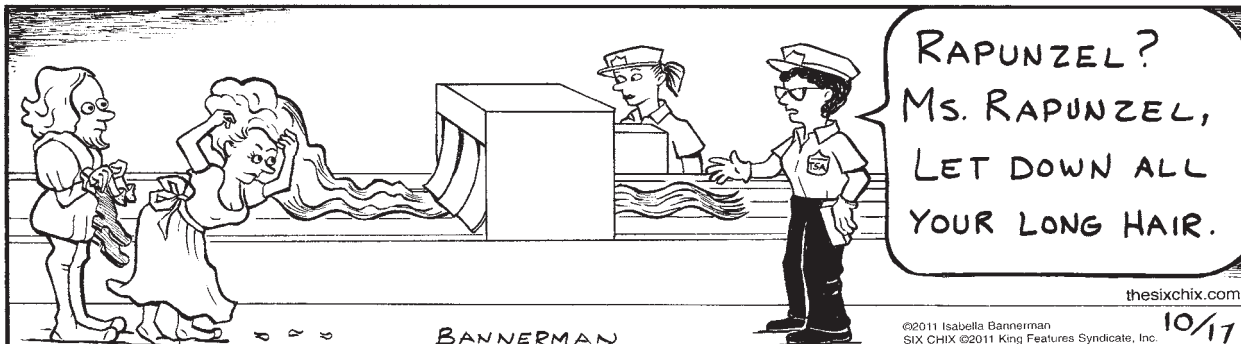
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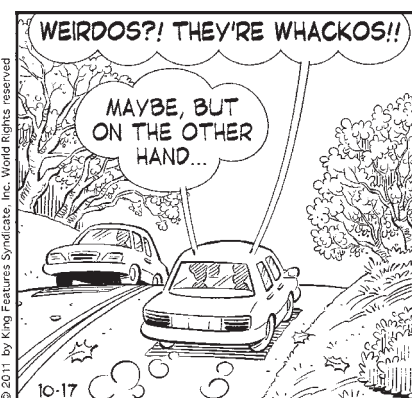
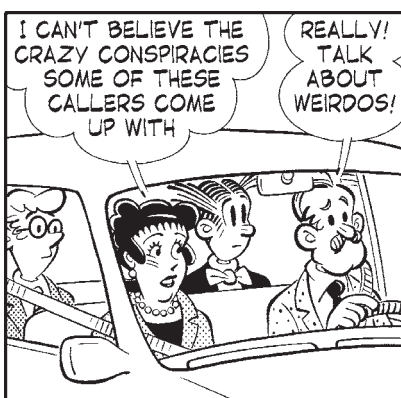
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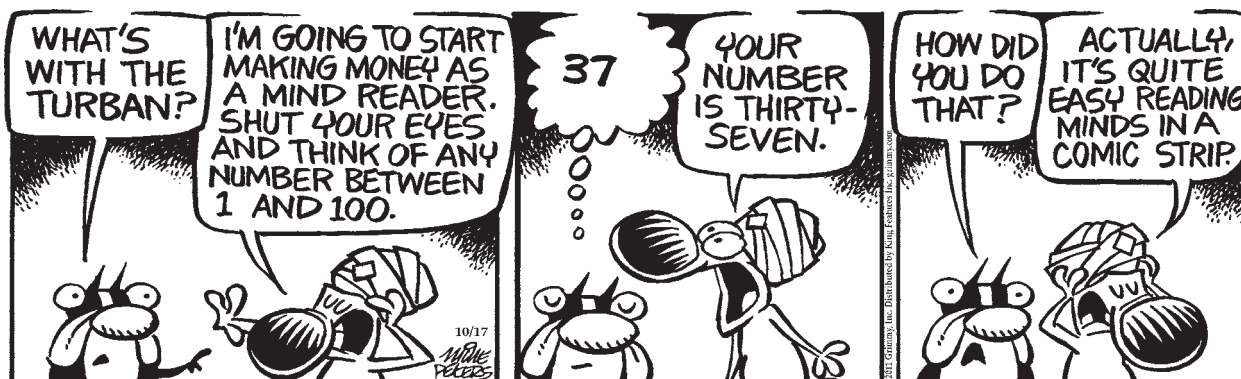
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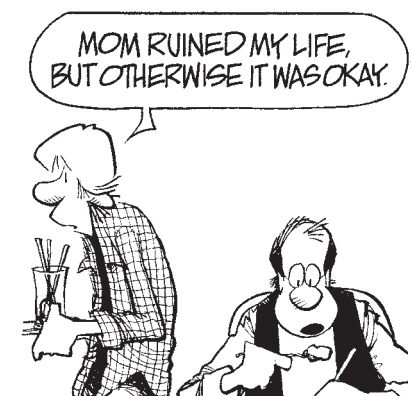
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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Saturday's puzzle answer

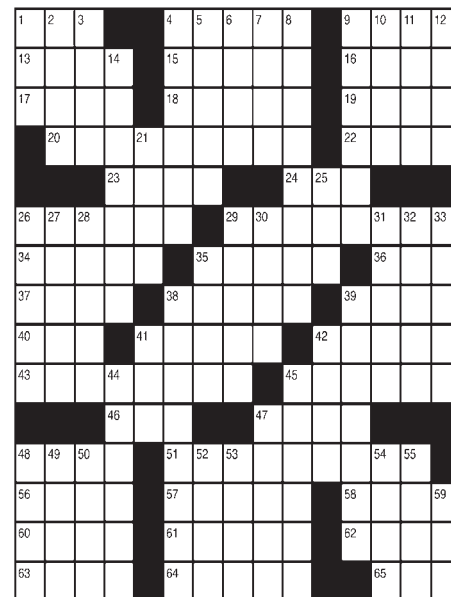
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4 Yellow shade
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13 Fired, slangily
15 Want badly
16 Own
17 ___ out; become old and shabby
18 Garment for Caesar
19 Meg or Nolan
20 Leave quickly
22 "Say it ___ so"
23 Rescue
24 Perish
26 Resident of Down Under
29 Reeking
34 ___ one's trade; works diligently
35 In the ___ of an eye; instantly
36 Man's title
37 Highest cards
38 Human ___; person
39 Escape
40 Gun the engine
41 Sports building
42 Fragment
43 Giving medical care to
45 Make plump
46 English band ___ Zeppelin
47 Do an usher's job
48 Majority
51 Indicating with one's hands
56 Peruvian Indian
57 Like a vine-covered wall
58 Tidy
60 Night twinkler
61 Gall
62 Strong wind
63 2000-pound weights
64 Desire for more and more
65 Hightailed it

DOWN

- 1 Dog's foot



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Saturday's Puzzle Solved

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44 Church tables
45 Carried on a perpetual battle
47 Actor McQueen
48 Fine spray
49 Aware of the shenanigans of
50 Read quickly
52 At any time
53 Beget children
54 Close by
55 Festive event
59 Half a score

Movement to end mutilation spreads in Senegal

CELIA W. DUGGER

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SARE HAROUNA, Senegal – When Aissatou Kande was a little girl, her family followed a tradition considered essential to her suitability to marry. Her clitoris was sliced off with nothing to dull the pain.

But on her wedding day, Kande, her head modestly covered in a plain white shawl, vowed to protect her own daughters from the same ancient custom. Days later, her village declared it would abandon female genital cutting for good.

Across the continent, an estimated 92 million girls and women have undergone it. But like more than 5,000 other Senegalese villages, Sare Harouna has joined a growing movement to end the practice.

The change has not yet reached Kande's new home in her husband's village, but if elders there pressured her to cut the baby girl she is taking into the marriage, she said, "I would resist them." Her parents back her up.

"They would never dare do that to my granddaughter, and we would never allow it," said Kande's mother, Marietou Diamank.

The movement to end genital cutting is spreading in Senegal at a quickening pace through the very ties of family and ethnicity that used to entrench it. And a practice once seen as an immutable part of a girl's life in many ethnic groups and African nations is ebbing, though rarely at the pace or with the organized drive found in Senegal.

The change is happening without the billions of dollars that have poured into other global health priorities throughout the developing world in recent years. Even after campaigning against genital cutting for years, the United Nations has raised less than half the \$44 million it set as the goal. But here in Senegal, Tostan, a group whose name means "breakthrough" in Wolof, Senegal's dominant language, has had a major impact with an education

program that seeks to build consensus, African-style, on the dangers of the practice, while being careful not to denounce it as barbaric as Western activists have been prone to do. Senegal's Parliament officially banned the practice more than a decade ago,

stew for the hordes of visitors.

The next day's event had the feel of a county fair. Dignitaries spoke over a tinny public-address system. Teenagers staged plays about the dangers of genital cutting. Traditional storytellers known as gri-

change social conventions on cutting. Tostan has pursued an ambitious effort here with support from Unicef and others, but its two-to three-year program costs about \$21,000 per village – a substantial sum considering the countless villages that continue the



Women fetch water from a well in the village of Sare Harouna, where female circumcision was a common practice, in southern Senegal, May 28, 2011. Over the past 15 years, the drive to end the movement of female genital cutting has gained such momentum that the majority of villages where it was commonplace have now committed to stop it. (Lynsey Addario/The New York Times)

and the government has been very supportive of Tostan's efforts.

"Before you would never even dare to discuss this," said Mamadou Dia, governor of the Kolda region where this village is located. "It was taboo. Now you have thousands of people coming to abandon it."

The night before Sare Harouna joined 118 other villages for a ceremony to abandon the practice, people poured in by horse cart, bus and truck. As darkness fell, women illuminated by wood fires stirred vats of couscous and beef

ots entertained the throng gathered around a dusty field. Over the past 15 years, the drive to end the practice has gained such momentum that a majority of Senegalese villages where genital cutting was commonplace have committed to stop it, Tostan and U.N. officials say.

With too few resources to replicate Tostan's health and human rights classes across Africa, Nafissatou Diop, who coordinates the United Nations-led campaign to end the practice, is looking for quicker, cheaper strategies to

practice.

"The program is transformative, and I love that as an African woman," said Diop, who is Senegalese, "but we need to move faster." □

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The Naked Truth:

Stars are just asking to be hacked



Actress Scarlett Johansson arrives at the Spike TV Guys Choice Awards in Culver City, Calif. Johansson and singer Christina Aguilera are among the many celebrities whose racy "private" photos have been hacked and posted to the Internet.

(AP Photo/Dan Steinberg, file)

FRAZIER MOORE
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Maybe it's not fair to blame the victim.

A victim like, say, Scarlett Johansson or Christina Aguilera, among the many celebrities whose racy "private" photos have been hacked and posted to the Internet for everyone to ogle. (Now don't pretend such photos have escaped your notice!)

What sort of person would engage in such predatory

practices as those with which Christopher Chaney has been charged? The Jacksonville, Fla., man was arrested on Thursday as part of a yearlong investigation into celebrity hacking that authorities dubbed "Operation Hackerazzi." There were more than 50 victims in the case that also included Mila Kunis and Renee Olstead, authorities said.

U.S. Attorney Andre Birotte described those who engage in such activity as

"scum" — scum preying upon such victims as Johansson, whose nude pictures were among those Chaney allegedly mined and put online.

Poor Scarlett.

On the other hand ... really?! What was going on in Johansson's pretty head when she, like so many, snapped candid self-portraits without figuring out that:

(a) She's a lovely woman.

(b) She's a famous woman.

(c) She's a highly marketable woman whose every move, clothed or unclothed, is of interest to a public salivating for details. This sort of head-in-the-cloud narcissism (or is it head-in-the-iCloud?) fails to acknowledge that, more and more, people live in glass houses — especially famous people, whose houses are bigger and even more transparent than others.

So is it completely unrea-

sonable to blame their neighbors (and, thanks to the Internet, all of us are neighbors) for taking a peek at otherwise forbidden sights when given the chance?

In simpler times, anyone would be slammed for watching a woman who displayed herself, undraped, in her bedroom window. Maybe this woman had an exhibitionist streak, but good manners dictated that the startled onlooker avert his eyes. To keep staring would brand him a voyeur, even a perv. And for the certified Peeping Tom in simpler times, a pair of binoculars was needed. Today, all that's required is a search engine and celebrity cyber-hackers to supply it.

In this era of digital snooping, why would any celebrity delude himself or herself that his or her physical seclusion guarantees privacy? However high the walls

surrounding one's property and however well-staffed one's security detail, why would any celebrity store nude photos on any electronic device that connects to the Internet — unless, of course, the celeb is a closet exhibitionist and secretly hopes the stuff will go viral.

No one needs to be as brazen a show-off as Anthony Weiner, the New York Congressman who was forced to resign last June after sending sexually explicit messages and photos of himself to women who were following him on Twitter. Even Johansson presumably knows better than to pull that stunt.

But she didn't know better than to leave ripe for the picking those photos of her in her birthday suit, as if to dare some hacker to share them with the world.

Sure, Johansson is one of many victims of cyber-hacking. □

Comic George Lopez will return to TV

CRISTINA SILVA
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Comedian George Lopez said he is creating a new family-orientated TV comedy where he will play a father and husband, vowing to return to television less than two months after TBS cancelled his late-night cable TV show "Lopez Tonight."

Lopez told The Associated Press his now untitled show "will be the opposite" of "George Lopez," the syndicated television comedy that aired on ABC from 2002 and 2007 and made him a household name. He also plans to star in his third live HBO standup comedy special next year, his first since 2009.

Viewership for his late-night show on TBS declined heavily in its second year. He says the show suffered after he lost his 11 p.m. time slot to Conan O'Brien. He said TBS' plan was for Lopez to go on after O'Brien at midnight and win over O'Brien's young viewers.



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Instead, Lopez's total viewership dropped 40 percent in its second year, from an average of 910,000 nightly viewers to 543,000. By August, the audience had dropped to 391,000.

The comedian said it is unfortunate his show was cancelled because there are few minority hosts on late-night television.

"I was heartbroken. Late-night talk show needs diversity," actress Eva Longoria told the AP of the cancellation. She attended a charity gala with Lopez in Las Vegas Saturday night. □

Rapper Rick Ross is hospitalized 2nd time

BIRMINGHAM, Alabama (AP) — Rapper Rick Ross was reportedly hospitalized in Alabama after suffering two medical scares in six hours that required planes to be diverted.

The first scare came Friday afternoon as Ross was on a Delta Air Lines flight from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, to Memphis, Tennessee, where Ross was to appear at a University of Memphis basketball event that night. □

'Real Steel,' 'Footloose' duke it out for No. 1

By **DAVID GERMAIN**

AP Movie Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The robot boxers of "Real Steel" and the dancers of "Footloose" are in a tight fight for the box-office title.

The Hugh Jackman tale about machines in the boxing ring took in \$16.3 million, which would make it the No. 1 movie for the second-straight weekend, according to studio estimates Sunday.

But "Real Steel" came in barely ahead of the remake "Footloose," which opened with \$16.1 million. The movies are close enough that they could switch rankings once final numbers are released Monday. Studio estimates are based on actual business Friday and Saturday and projections for Sunday based on how well similar movies typically hold up. An executive at Disney, which is distributing "Real Steel" for DreamWorks Pictures, said he expects his movie will come out on top because of strong family crowds during day-time shows Sunday.

"Absolutely," said Dave Hollis, Disney's head of dis-



This file image released by Disney/DreamWorks II shows Hugh Jackman in a scene from "Real Steel" the Jackman tale about machines in the boxing ring took in \$16.3 million which would make it the No. 1 movie for the second straight weekend, according to studio estimates Sunday. But "Real Steel" came in barely ahead of the remake "Footloose" which opened with \$16.1 million.



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the kind of day-time business we've had on each of the weekend days so

far, we have the expectation that it won't be terribly close. They're free to esti-

mate as they will, but we expect to be No. 1."

Paramount, which released "Footloose," was tracking its movie's revenues slightly ahead of those for "Real Steel," said Don Harris, Paramount's head of distribution.

"Footloose" was doing especially strong business in the Midwest and South, and the studio had hopes that those rural crowds would turn out in big numbers Sunday, Harris said.

"It's close enough to be a dead heat at this point," Harris said. "If we get that middle of the country that seems to be preoccupied with high school football on Friday and college football on Saturday, then it bodes well not only for a big Sunday but for the legs of the movie."

Universal's horror update "The Thing," about Antarctic researchers stalked by a shape-shifting alien, opened at No. 3 with \$8.7 million. Steve Martin, Jack Black and Owen Wilson's bird-watching comedy "The Big Year," released by 20th Century Fox, flopped at No. 9 with a \$3.3 million opening. □



"Darth Vader" accepts the Ultimate Villain award from "Star Wars" creator George Lucas during the 2011 Scream Awards, Saturday, Oct. 15, 2011, in Los Angeles. The award show is dedicated to the horror, science fiction and fantasy genres of feature films, television and comic books. Associated Press

Pee Wee, Potter, Vader honored at Scream Awards

By **SANDY COHEN**

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UNIVERSAL CITY, California (AP) — Heroes and villains from the worlds of horror, fantasy and science-fiction shared the stage at Spike TV's annual Scream Awards. More television event than traditional awards ceremony, the Scream Awards were presented in an amphitheater built on the Universal Studios backlot just for the occasion.

The Saturday night show was as much about how the awards were presented as who got them, but for starters, the top honorees were Harry Potter, Darth Vader, Nicolas Cage, Pee Wee Herman and Robert Downey, Jr. Resembling a psychedelic circus, one side of the stage was a life-sized dollhouse populated by costumed characters, the other a staircase

topped by a giant keyhole, and in the middle was a lake that lit up with fire.

Fans picked the night's winners and also filled the makeshift theater for the 2 ½ -hour presentation, which is set to air Tuesday as a two-hour special on Spike TV and VH1.

The show literally began with a scream, opening with a giant crane carrying a woman across the sky, then dropping her into the fiery lake. Blasts of fire and various stunts continued throughout the program. Potter took the night's top prize. The eight-part film franchise was named the Ultimate Scream, which awards presenter Chloe Grace Moretz described as "the most awesome, most rocking thing that the universe has ever seen." Audience members were given glow sticks before the

winner was announced, and when "Potter" star Daniel Radcliffe accepted the prize by video from New York, fans there were waving the same lights. Co-star Ralph Fiennes, who played Lord Voldemort, also appeared by video to accept an award for favorite villain. Vader, though, won the Ultimate Villain award. "Star Wars" creator George Lucas presented the Sith Lord with his prize.

Vader, who accepted the award personally, said he's found it difficult to concentrate on his work recently because he's constantly "living in fear of how George Lucas is going to digitally enhance you for the next DVD."

Meanwhile, Lucas announced that the first "Star Wars" film converted to 3-D will open in February. He also offered a peek at his

latest project, "Red Tails," about the Tuskegee airmen — the black fighter pilots who broke racial barriers in World War II.

Herman, also known as actor-comedian Paul Reubens, rode his shiny red bicycle across the lake (on floaties) to accept the Visionary award. He thanked his fans and "the academy of Spike TV." When Cage received the Maverick award from director Quentin Tarantino, a motorcycle appeared on stage and the lake blasted with fire, a reference to his film "Ghost Rider." Before Downey accepted the Hero award, audience members were given placards emblazoned with his image and the word "hero" and told to raise the signs when the actor made his entrance. They practiced a few times before the big moment. □

Here's the 'Herminator'



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You may have heard that Herman Cain, the former chief of Godfather's Pizza, has become the latest in a list of peculiar front-runners for the Republican presidential nomination. Perhaps the Tea Party wing is just expressing its hostility toward Mitt Romney. Perhaps there's just something peculiar about the Tea Party. Either way, my mission is clear. In keeping with our ongoing project of reviewing the literary output of the Republican candidates for president, today we're going to take a look at "This Is Herman Cain! My Journey to the White House."

Cain, who has published a bunch of other books, appears to have gone to the Newt Gingrich School of Perpetual Authorship. He's padded his 240 pages with a couple of speeches, a list of awards and honors that include the Rotary Club's 1994 Omahan of the Year Award, and a convoluted Leadership History going back to the student government of Archer High School.

However, the core of the Cain story is how he rose in the world of business to become CEO of a pizza chain whose name sounds kind of like an ethnic slur.

This part of the book has one honestly remarkable moment. When he was a vice president at the Pillsbury corporate headquarters, Cain decided that he had hit a dead end, so he gave up the title, took a pay cut and started again from the bottom at the company's restaurant division. At 36, he was sitting at Burger King University, learning how to put buns and patties through a broiler with a roomful of recent college graduates and assistant store managers. I am not prepared to say that it's enough to make me want to give him control of the nation's military arsenal, but it does sound like a seriously gutsy move.

Then it was back up the

corporate ladder, and, eventually, Cain became CEO of the troubled Godfather's Pizza chain. He and another Godfather's executive worked out a leveraged buyout, improved the business, and the next thing you know, it's 1996 and Cain is sailing off to other projects, including talk radio, politics and serving on the boards of seven different corporations at the same time. You expect an autobiography to be somewhat self-obsessed, but the centrality of Cain in Cain's worldview is still pretty remarkable. Relating an anecdote about his years at Pillsbury, he says: "I was sitting in my new office on the 31st floor of the World Headquarters one day when I looked out the window and saw that the inflatable dome of the new Minneapolis stadium had collapsed."

Next sentence: "I realized, as I sat there, staring out the window, that what had kept me happy and motivated was the excitement, challenge, and risk of the past few years." The most important revelation in "This is Herman Cain!" besides the candidate's really strong attachment to exclamation points, is that for all the talk about Cain as businessman, his career for the last 16 years has been mainly as a motivational speaker. He's chief executive of T.H.E. Inc., which stands for The Herminator Experience, and the author of books about leadership that teach you how to be the CEO of Self.

There are a few hints that the entire Herman Cain presidential experience is more about promoting The Herminator than in actually getting elected to anything. They would include the fact that he does not seem to have developed any actual organization and that instead of attempting to rectify this problem, he's spending most of his time on book-promotion tours of states that are not planning on having primaries any time in the near future.

But show some respect. None of us are ahead in the presidential primary polls with a best-selling book about our journey to be the CEO of Self. Stop sniffing at the fact that Cain's chief economic adviser works at the Wells Fargo office in Pepper Pike, Ohio. Take the guy seriously. Which I am trying to do, in matters beyond the ever-fascinating 9-9-9 tax plan. For instance, on the matter of immigration, Cain says that he thinks it would be a great idea to build an alligator-filled moat between the U.S. and Mexico. ("And make it a real big moat.")



A farewell to macho



MAUREEN DOWD

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WASHINGTON — Hemingway could be hard on women. And women could be hard on Hemingway.

I have always been a Fitzgerald girl. What could be more gorgeous than "The Great Gatsby"?

If you perused Hemingway in college in the first flush of feminism, he seemed like a relic. As F. Scott Fitzgerald noted, Hemingway needed a new wife for every big book. And even when he was cheating on a wife with her friend, he painted himself as a victim of predatory and trusting women. Writing in "A Moveable Feast" about dumping his older first wife, Hadley, for his older second wife, Pauline, he whined that "the oldest trick" is "that an unmarried young woman becomes the temporary best friend of another young woman who is married, goes to live with the husband and wife and then unknowingly, innocently and unrelentingly sets out to marry the husband."

But Hemingway is enjoying a renaissance this year, the 50th anniversary of his suicide by shotgun, so it is time to give that most self-consciously masculine American writer an-

other look.

Papa is popping. There's a new volume of his lusty letters. He was the funniest character in Woody Allen's "Midnight in Paris." A staging of "The Sun Also Rises" is playing off-Broadway. "The Paris Wife," a novel about Hadley Hemingway by Paula McLain, was a best-seller. And the bittersweet biography of Hadley by my friend Gioia Diliberto, which inspired McLain, has just been reissued under the title "Paris Without End: The True Story of Hemingway's First Wife."

Paul Hendrickson has written a captivating book called "Hemingway's Boat," about Ernest's 27-year love affair with Pilar, his mahogany cabin cruiser that outlasted three of his wives "and all his ruin." Papa played Fats Waller records on a scratchy phonograph on the boat, where he "dominated" marlins, propositioned women, hunted German subs, saved guests from shark attacks and drank daiquiris, trying not to fall off the flying bridge. "He'd acted like a boor and a bully and an overly competitive jerk on this boat," Hendrickson writes.

Diliberto recalled that when her Hadley bio was first published in 1992, she was surprised to find her book readings filled with men "who looked like stage-three Hemingways with white beards and safari jackets straining over their bellies. They all wanted to be Hemingway, to live his outdoorsy, action-packed life.

"No woman wants to be a Hemingway heroine who totally submerges her identity to her lover. As Catherine Barkley said in 'A Farewell To Arms,' 'I want you so much I want to be you too.' We'd much rather be dressed in floaty silk, sipping Champagne on Jay

Gatsby's terrace."

But Diliberto says women are wrong to think Hemingway has nothing to offer them. Especially now that women are rising and men are declining, as The Atlantic has noted in two cover stories, women can feel secure enough to "relax and enjoy him," as Diliberto puts it.

"Much of Hemingway's work, particularly the stories he wrote during his marriage to Hadley," she said, "brilliantly chart the emotional nuances in relationships between men and women."

Hendrickson notes that after Hemingway's death, "it was very fashionable to put him down for his misogyny. But now scholars, ironically including great female scholars, have burrowed down into him and found this sly and deceptive sensitivity toward women. He understood there was something about himself so sensitive, a tuning-fork tremulousness, that it was almost as though it shamed him, and he put on the he-man act."

That "Kansas City-boy brutality," as Gertrude Stein called it, was an authentic part of him. But Hendrickson believes it was also a mask covering up "a tortured sexual ambiguity." The loathed mother, Grace, who raised her little boy for a few years as his older sister's "twin," dressing him in frilly bonnets, frocks and Mary Janes, imbued him with sexual confusion. Following up on interviews with the author's sons that he did 24 years ago for The Washington Post, Hendrickson explores the bond between Hemingway and his youngest son, Gigi, a doctor who was a manic depressive, transsexual and heterosexual and who sometimes called himself Gloria Hemingway.

Welcome, fans, to the 'pinking' of America

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ARLINGTON, Texas — The Dallas Cowboys just got "pinked."

And not just the Cowboys. The entire Cowboys Stadium here. Pink is everywhere: around the goalposts, in the crowd, on the players' cleats, towels and wristbands.

In case you haven't noticed, October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, when the entire nation gets painted pink. This is also when "pink" becomes more than a color: It becomes, for better or

done more than any other to create what might be called Pink Inc.

With a CEO's eye, Brinker has turned her foundation, Susan G. Komen for the Cure, into a juggernaut. She has tied this nonprofit to hundreds of for-profit brands and spread its message far and wide with "Race for the Cure" foot races. She has, in effect, invested to maximize returns. Over the years, Komen has raised many billions of dollars to urge women to get mammograms, as well as for treatment and research. "It's a democratization of a

the lack of progress, that may well reflect Komen's handiwork. If you think women should be concerned about developing breast cancer, that's often Komen's message, too. And if you think mammography is the best answer at the moment, that, again, is the Komen mantra.

Like Big Oil, Big Food and Big Pharma, Big Pink has its share of critics. Some patient advocates complain that Komen and other pink-ribbon charities sugarcoat breast cancer, which kills about 40,000 American women and 450 men annu-



Dallas Cowboys wide receiver, Dez Bryant, wears the Susan G. Komen for the Cure foundation's signature pink wristbands as he catches the first touchdown pass of the game at Cowboy Stadium. October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, when the entire nation gets painted pink in an effort to put an upbeat spin on fighting the disease.

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Dallas Cowboy cheerleaders wear the Susan G. Komen for the Cure foundation's signature color pink for their halftime performance during a football game at Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, Texas

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worse, a verb.

In marketing circles, "to pink" means to link a brand or a product or even the entire National Football League to one of the most successful charity campaigns of all time.

Like it or not — and some people don't like it at all — the pinking of America has become a multibillion-dollar business, a marketing, merchandising and fundraising opportunity that is almost unrivaled in scope. There are pink-ribbon car tires, pink-ribbon clogs, pink eyelash curlers — the list goes on.

Down on the 50-yard line on this early October day is Nancy G. Brinker, the chief executive who has

disease," Brinker, who is the Cowboys' honorary captain for the day, says just before the coin toss. "It's drilling down into the deepest pockets of America."

The story of Komen is, as much as anything, a story of savvy marketing. Brinker has rebranded an entire disease by putting an upbeat spin on fighting it. Her foundation generated about \$420 million in the 2010 fiscal year alone. Perhaps more than any other nonprofit organization, Komen shapes the national conversation about breast cancer.

If you're feeling hopeful about the strides being made against this disease, rather than frustrated by

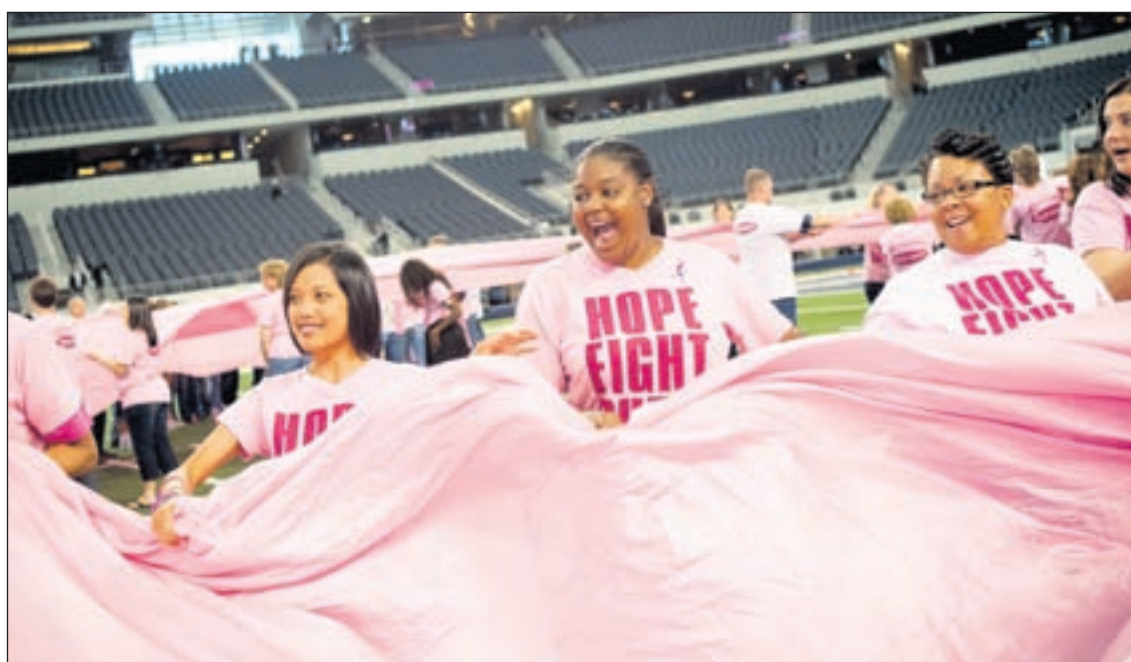
ally. Others complain that pink marketing, despite the many millions it raises for charities, is just another way to move merchandise and that it exploits cancer by turning it into an excuse to go shopping. And some pink-theme products have no relationship with any charities at all.

(Consumers should check before buying.)

In any case, these critics say, all of those pink ribbons and pink products create more good will for charities and corporations than game-changing medical advances for patients.

Executives at Breast Cancer Action, a San Francisco advocacy group, have

questioned the value of pink October for 20 years. They say some charities spend millions more on promoting the medical status quo — annual mammography screening, that is — than they do on financing research into the causes and prevention of the disease. (Mammography has significantly reduced the death rate from breast cancer, particularly for women in their 50s and 60s. But health experts disagree on whether women in their 40s need routine screening, or whether they should decide individually, in consultation with their doctors, based on risk factors like their family history.) □



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